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DELHI BOMBSHELL FOR JUNAGADH RULER

Ordinance Transfers Personal Property To State

Dewan And Other Officials Also Roped In

Reserve Bank To Issue Duplicate Securities In Name Of New Administration

NEW DELHI, Dec. 25. (A.P.I.): The Governor-General has issued an Ordinance vesting in the administration of the Junagadh State certain property which stood in the name of the Nawab of Junagadh, his Dewan and other officers of the State

PROPERTY TRANSFERRED

The property thus transferred include bank deposits, Government securities totalling over one crore and twenty-nine lakhs in the name of the Nawab and also one thousand shares each in the Industrial Investment Trust Ltd., and the Central Provinces Railway Company Limited.

ISSUE OF DUPLICATE SECURITIES

Among other things the ordinance empowers the Reserve Bank of India to issue to the Administrator of Junagadh duplicate securities in lieu of the securities held in the name of the Nawab as the securities had been lost. The Ordinance is to have retrospective effect from November 9, 1947, the date on which the administration of the State of Junagadh was handed over to the Central Government.

Most of the securities held by the Nawab are in "special form" issued only to rulers of Indian States. These securities must be converted to "ordinary form" before they are negotiable in the market.

WHAT THE NAWAB DID

It is understood that the Nawab, prior to his departure to Karachi, encashed some forty-five lakhs of rupees of securities and the money was lying at the Karachi branch of an Indian Bank. In view of the developments in the State presumably the Bank felt some difficulty to permit the Nawab to withdraw the amount but the Pakistan Government issued an ordinance which enabled the Nawab to operate the account.

The Ordinance provides for the rest of the securities of over a crore and twenty-nine lakhs to be transferred to the administrator of Junagadh.

KAMTE VISITS JUNAGADH

RAJKOT, Dec. 24 (API): Mr. N. M. Kamte, Inspector-General of Police, Bombay, accompanied by the Superintendent of Police arrived at Junagadh last Monday.

Soon after his arrival Mr. Kamte had prolonged discussions with the Administrator regarding Police arrangements in the State. He also visited a number of important places in the city.

In the afternoon on Tuesday, Mr. Kamte left for Prabhaspatan where he inspected the ruins of the historic shrine of Somnath.

C. P. And Orissa Given Powers To Make Orders For States

NEW DELHI, Dec. 25, (A.P.I.): The Central Government have delegated to the Provincial Government of Orissa the power to make

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MUNSHI FOR HYDERABAD

Accepts Appointment As Agent: But Will Not Take Any Salary

NEW DELHI, Dec 25. (A. P. I.): The Government of India have selected Mr. K. M. Munshi as their Agent-General in Hyderabad, says a "communique". It is expected that he will take over his office in the first week of January.

Mr. Munshi has made it clear that he will not accept any salary while holding this office.

GRENADE THROWN AT POLICE STATION

Six Constables Injured: Damage To Building

SECUNDERABAD, Dec. 25, (A. P. I.): A hand-grenade is reported to have been thrown at a police station in the old part of the city early this morning by an unknown person who immediately disappeared after it exploded, injuring six constables. The explosion also caused some damage to the police station.

The Director-General of Police and other officials visited the spot shortly afterwards. The injured men were taken to hospital. The injuries are reported to be not serious.

AUGUST 15 AND GANDHIJI'S BIRTHDAY TO BE HOLIDAYS

CUTTACK, Dec. 25, (U.P.I.): The Provincial Government have included the Independence Day on August 15 and Mahatma Gandhi's birthday on October 2 in the list of public holidays for the year 1948 says a Gazette notification.

ATTLEE GREETS JINNAH ON BIRTHDAY

KARACHI, Dec. 255, (A.P.I.): As the Dominion of Pakistan entered its 132 day of its creation today, its Governor General Quaid-i-Azam Mohammad Ali Jinnah, completed his seventy-one years. he was born in the now capital of Pakistan, on Christmas day of 1876.

ROYAL CHRISTMAS CARD FOR JINNAH

KARACHI, December 25, (A.P.I.): The King and Queen of England have sent a Christmas and New Year card to Quaid-I-Azam Mohammed Ali Jinnah, Governor-General of Pakistan.

ATTLEE'S MESSAGE

LONDON, Dec. 25, (Reuter): The British Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee has sent a personal message of congratulation to Mr. Mohammed Ali Jinnah on the occasion of his 71st birthday today.

Other messages sent from Britain are included one from Lord Pethick-Lawrence, and another from the High Commissioner for Pakistan in Britain Mr. Habib Ibrahim Rahimtoola.

MAMDOT'S SUGGESTION

LAHORE, Dec. 25, (A.P.I.): Khan Iftikhar Husain of Mamdot, Premier of West Punjab has appealed to all citizens of Pakistan to devote the auspicious day of the Quiad-I-Azam's birthday to a campaign of feeding the hungry and clothing the naked Muslim refugees.

A SELFLESS WORKER

DACCA, Dec. 25, (A.P.I.): In a message sent on behalf of the Government and the people of Eastern Pakistan to Qaid-e-Azam Mohammed Ali Jinnah, Khwaja Nazimuddin says:

You have worked selflessly and strenuously to bring into existence the state of Pakistan and it is the fevent prayer of us all that you may see this state for many years. Your great wisdom and statesmanship are more than ever needed today in the difficult task of strengthening the foundations of Pakistan and making it a state worthy of the great and ancient traditions of Muslims.

E. BENGAL LIFTS RESTRICTIVE ORDERS

DACCA, Dec. 25, (A.P.I.): The Government of East Bengal have decided to withdraw all restrictive orders now in force in this Province with effect from December 26, the day on which the birthday of Qaid-e-Azam will be celebrated, says a press note issued today.

KARACHI, Dec. 24, (A. P. I.): A large number of post and telegraph staff who opted for Pakistan have not so far reported themselves for duty at the stations to which they have been transferred in Pakistan, stated a Press Note which warns those officials who do not reach their destinations or report themselves to the Pakistan Transfer Officer, Bombay, by January 15, 1948, would be liable to disciplinary action which will be termination of services in case of wilful defaulters".

Sardar Baldev Singh, Defence Minister, took the salute at the Passing Out Parade of officer cadets at the Indian Military Academy, Dehra Dun on Dec. 20. Photo shows the Defence Minister inspecting the cadets on parade.

POLICE BAN CRUCIAL SOCIALIST UNIONS

Strike Decision Irrevocable, Says Ashok Mehta

Managements Of Many Mills And Factories In City To Declare Holiday On December 29?

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The crucial meeting of the representatives of the Managing Committees of 60 Trade Unions in the city, affiliated to the Socialist Party, convened this evening to reconsider their token strike decision in the light of their leaders' talks with the Labour Minister was banned by the police at the last minute.

About 150 representatives of these Unions assembled at the Podar College, Matunga, where the meeting was proposed to be held but the police arrived on the scene and dispersed the crowd.

UNLESS WE ARE ALLOWED TO MEET

"We tried to meet on two previous occasions when permission was refused, and unless we are allowed to hold meetings to report to the workers on what transpired at the Labour Minister's conference, our decision to strike will be irrevocable", Mr. Ashok Mehta, the Socialist leader, told "The Chronicle" immediately after the meeting was banned by the Police.

INVITATION TO NANDA.

An invitation to the Labour Minister to address this meeting and convince the workers on the correctness of the Government's stand is reported to have been extended by Mr. Mehta when he met the Minister earlier in the day at the Secretariat. It is learnt that Mr. Nanda agreed to this offer on condition that the Socialist leader would advise the workers to call off the strike first. Mehta declined to give any such undertaking.

It is further learnt that Mr. Mehta sought the permission of the Labour Minister to hold a rally of the workers on Dec. 29, the day of the proposed strike, on the specific undertaking that the Socialist leaders would keep off the meeting and afford an opportunity to the Minister to hear the grievances from the workers themselves. Mr. Nanda is said to have disapproved of the idea if they persisted in their decision to strike.

NO SIGN OF ANY CHANGE IN GOVT. POLICY.

Mr. Mehta said in an interview that under no circumstances "will I advise the workers to rescind their strike decision until I am convinced that the Government's policy is changed, and of that there is little indication so far".

He expressed surprise that Trade Unions affiliated to the Socialist Party were not allowed to hold meetings, while the Government was allowing Hindustan Mazdur Sevak Sangh Unions to meet. However, Mr. Mehta made it clear that the Socialist Party would not defy the Government's orders.

Mr. Mehta complained that the Police tried to disperse the study class of the Labour College run by

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MEETING OF FORWARD BLOC CHANGES CREED

PATNA, Dec. 25. (A.P.I.): The resolutions passed at a secret session of the All-India Council of the Forward Bloc, held at Benares last week, have been released here by Pt. Sheelbhadra Yajee, General Secretary of the Forward Bloc.

According to one of the resolutions which amended the constitution of the Party radically, the object of the Forward Bloc is "the attainment of complete sovereign independence for India and her people and the establishment of a Union of Socialist Republics in India".

BRITAIN WILL TIDE OVER

King's Christmas Broadcast Endorses Nation's Determination

LONDON, Dec. 25, (Reuter): King George VI speaking before a microphone in his study at his country home at Sandringham, in Norfolk, this afternoon continued the Royal habit started by his father in 1932 of broadcasting a Christmas Day message to the British Commonwealth of Nations.

At Sandringham, with the Royal family which now includes Princess Elizabeth's husband, the Duke of Edinburgh "the man she loves and one whom we love, too"—are also the King's mother, Queen Mary, his brother the Duke of Gloucester with the Duchess and their two sons and his widowed sister-in-law the Duchess of Kent, with her two sons.

The King was evidently thinking during most of the broadcast of Britain's and other countries efforts to rebuild from the ruins of war.

One notable passage read:—

"When, with our brothers overseas, we stood alone in the defence of freedom, we did not count the cost. We threw in all we had. We have now to create afresh the resources that we then poured out and to deny ourselves while doing so. But no one remembering 1940, can doubt that we shall succeed and no one can doubt that we are all doing our level best to ensure success".

After the broadcast the King, with Queen Elizabeth and the rest of the Royal party, went into the ballroom of Sandringham House to distribute Christmas gifts to servants and workers of the Royal estates.

AT ST. PAUL'S

St. Paul's Cathedral, London, was the next main centre of attraction today. In the great nave that is decorated with bands of green leaves around pillars hung with red cloth, the full choir led the singing of carols, special anthems and chants.

A sermon was preached by the Dean of Saint Paul's Dr. W. R. Matthews.

Rain fell persistently in the afternoon, but as Christmas Day in England is invariably spent at the fireside from lunchtime onwards, the break in the weather did not matter much.

POSTAL WORKERS TO JOIN STRIKE

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Bombay Postal Workers' Union has decided to participate in the one-day token strike, in line with the decision of the Bombay Provincial Trade Union Congress. This decision will involve about 5,000 Postal workers in the city.

In Cochin

APPELLATE TRIBUNAL FOR ADJUDICATION AWARD

ERNAKULAM, Dec. 25. (A.P.I.): The Maharaja of Cochin has issued a proclamation to-day amending the existing Cochin Trade Disputes Adjudication Law.

Under the amendment, the party aggrieved by Adjudication Award can submit to Government his objection to the Award and it shall be referred to an Appellate Tribunal consisting of three which may be constituted. In case of difference of opinion among the Tribunal the majority opinion shall be final.

The amendment also provides that no industrial concern shall be closed down without the previous sanction of the Tribunal during the period in which the Award is in force.

REDS CAPTURE LIAO CHUNG

NANKING, Dec. 25. (Reuter): Communist troops yesterday battled their way into the city of Liao Chung, 40 miles south-west of Mukden, capital of Manchuria between the Peiping-Mukden and Mukden-Dairen Railways, as part of a pincer movement against Mukden, it was disclosed here to-day.

NEW CONSTITUTION COMES INTO FORCE.

Streets in cities and towns throughout Government in China were gaily beflagged to-day to mark the coming into force of the new constitution of the Chinese Republic adopted last Christmas.

The Chinese Government to-day announced March 29 next year as the date of the convocation of the newly elected National Assembly and extended the life of the present People's Political Council until then.

HEAVY CASUALTIES INFLICTED ON RAIDERS

Fierce Fighting In Jhangar-Naushara Area On Kashmir Front

NEW DELHI, Dec. 25. (A.P.I.): Fierce fighting took place in Jhangar-Naushara area yesterday and Indian Army troops inflicted heavy casualties on the raiders, says the Defence Ministry Communique on Kashmir tonight.

Our troops also suffered casualties.

Except for vigorous patrol activity there is little to report from elsewhere.

Aircraft of the Royal Indian Air Force attacked known positions of raiders with bombs, rockets and medium machineguns.

STOP PRESS

BOMBAY v. OSMANIA

HYDERABAD (Dn.), Dec. 25 (A. P. I.): In the South Zone final of the Inter-University Cricket Championship between Bombay and Osmania University which commenced here today Osmania University batting first were all out for 132 runs and at close of play today Bombay University had made 207 runs for loss of five wickets.

STELLA WALSH IS AN AMERICAN CITIZEN.

CLEVELAND Dec. 25. (Reuter): Stella Walsh, holder of several score women's track and field world championships, has signed her final U. S. Naturalization papers. She was born in Wierschownia, Poland, 38 years ago as Stephania Walasiewicz, Stella will become an American citizen, when she takes the oath of allegiance within 60 days.

LATEST COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK COTTON MARCH.

NEW YORK, Dec. 25.

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Inter-Provincial Table Tennis Championships

Bombay Beat Bengal And Madras: Sivaraman Twice Beaten

CALCUTTA, Dec. 23 (API).—The third day's play in the Inter-Provincial Table Tennis Championship which came off today at the Calcutta University Institute hall produced mild surprise to the moderate crowd.

V. Sivaraman (Andhra) the National Champion of 1946 was seemingly off colour as was evident from his two defeats inflicted on him by G. V. S. Rao (Madras) and Sikander Azam (Hyderabad).

The National Championship being deferred to Dec. 26, Vana and Andreades were seen in action again in exhibition matches.

RESULTS:

BOMBAY VS. BENGAL (MEN'S)

D. H. Kapadia (Bombay) beat Kichlu (Bengal) 21-16, 10-21, 21-14; U. M. Chandarana (Bombay) beat K. Ghose (Bengal), 21-14, 22-20; K. S. Cooper (Bombay) beat S. Chatterjee (Bengal) 18-21, 21-19, 22-20; Kapadia (Bombay) beat K. Ghose (Bengal) 21-14, 22-20; Kichlu (Bengal) beat K. S. Cooper (Bombay) 21-13, 15-21, 21-14; U. M. Chandarana (Bombay) beat S. Chatterjee (Bengal) 21-19, 21-11. Bombay beat Bengal by 5-1.

(Best match of the series was between K. Ghose and Chandarana. K. Ghose lost both the games to Chandarana after a keen tussle. At a time K. Ghose played like a winner but due to his faulty forehand smashes he lost.)

BOMBAY VS. MADRAS (WOMEN'S)

Mrs. B. Cama (Bombay) beat Mrs. C. K. K. Ullai (Madras) 17-21, 21-14, 21-14; Miss M. Brodie (Bombay) beat Miss A. Rukmini (Madras) 25-23, 21-18; Cama and Brodie beat Pillai and Rukmini (Madras) 21-16, 15-21, 21-14. Bombay beat Madras by 3-0.

DELHI VS. MYSORE (MEN'S)

K. V. Padmanaban (Mysore) beat O. M. Prakash (Delhi) 21-20, 21-17; R. Bhandari (Delhi) beat K. Subramanian (Mysore) 21-7, 21-16; Saxena (Delhi) beat K. Anantharaman (Mysore) 21-17, 21-11; Padmanaban (Mysore) beat Bhandari (Delhi) 21-16, 21-13; K. Anantharaman (Mysore) beat O. M. Prakash (Delhi) 21-16, 21-18; Saxena (Delhi) beat K. Subramanian (Mysore) 21-9, 21-9; K. Bhandari (Delhi) beat K. Anantharaman (Mysore) 21-13, 21-19; Saxena (Delhi) beat Padmanaban (Mysore) 21-16, 21-19; Subramanian (Mysore) beat O. M. Prakash (Delhi) 21-15, 21-18. Delhi beat Mysore by 5-3.

HYDERABAD VS. ANDHRA (MEN'S)

Waheeduddin Ahmed (Hyderabad) beat Hiraban (Andhra) 21-3, 21-8; M. H. Mekhr (Hyderabad) beat Hanumantharao (Andhra) 21-10, 21-13; Sikendar Azam (Hyderabad) beat V. Sivaraman (Andhra) 21-17, 21-16; M. H. Mekhr (Hyderabad) beat Hiraban (Andhra) 21-10 21-7; V. Sivaraman (Andhra) beat Waheeduddin Ahmed (Hyderabad) 21-15, 22-24, 21-13; Sikender Azam (Hyderabad) beat Hanumanthrao (Andhra) 21-10, 21-12. Hyderabad beat Andhra by 5-1.

BENGAL VS. HOLKAR (MEN'S)

Kichlu (Bengal) beat Azerul Huq (Holkar) 21-16, 21-13; K. Ghose (Bengal) beat P. Nagu (Holkar) 21-13, 21-15; J. Godrej (Holkar) beat Demetre (Bengal) 21-16, 21-17; K. Ghose (Bengal) beat Azherul Huq (Holkar) 21-4, 21-10; Kitchlu (Bengal) beat J. Godrej (Holkar) 16-21, 21-18, 21-19; Demeter (Bengal) beat P. Nagu (Holkar) 20-22, 21-13, 21-17. Bengal beat Holkar by 5-1.

DELHI VS. HOLKAR (MEN'S)

Prakas Bahadur (Delhi) beat A. Nagu (Holkar) 21-19, 21-17; Saxena (Delhi) beat P. Nayudu (Holkar) 21-10, 21-16; S. D. Ray (Delhi) beat A. Huq (Holkar) 21-23, 21-13, 21-19; Saxena (Delhi) beat P. Nagu (Holkar) 21-9, 21-11; Prakas Bahadur (Delhi) beat A. Huq (Holkar) 21-16, 21-17. Delhi beat Holkar by 5-0.

ANDHRA VS. DELHI (MEN'S)

Prakash (Delhi) beat Hira Ban (Andhra) 21-8, 21-6; Saxena (Delhi) beat Hanumantha Rao (Andhra) 21-11, 21-12; Sivaraman (Andhra) beat S. D. Ray (Delhi) 21-16, 21-11; Saxena (Delhi) beat Hiraban (Andhra) 21-10, 21-10; Sivaraman (Andhra) beat Prakash (Delhi) 21-8, 19-21, 21-18; S. D. Ray (Delhi) beat Hanumantha Rao (Andhra) 21-9, 21-19; Sivaraman (Andhra) beat Saxena (Delhi) 23-21, 21-16; S. D. Ray (Delhi) beat Hiraban (Andhra) 21-4, 21-8. Delhi beat Andhra by 5-3.

MADRAS vs. ANDHRA (MEN'S)

M. Vittal (Madras) beat R. Hanumantha Rao (Andhra) 21—10, 18—21; M. Vittal (Madras) beat R. Hanumantha Rao (Andhra) 21—10, 18—21; 21—7; Sivaraman (Andhra) beat M. Vittal (Madras) 21—17, 21—12; Sivaraman (Andhra) beat A. Ramaswamy (Madras) 21—17, 21—12; G. V. S. Rao (Madras) beat Hiraban (Andhra) 21—5, 21—5; G. V. S. Rao Madras beat R. Hanumantha Rao (Andhra) 21—8, 21—6; C. Ramaswamy (Madras) beat Hiraban (Andhra) 21—6, 21—7; G. V. S. Rao (Madras) beat Sivaraman (Andhra) 13—21, 21—15, 21—18 Madras beat Andhra by 5—2.

HYDERABAD vs. MYSORE (MEN'S)

Padmanaban (Mysore beat W. Ahmed (Hyderabad) 21—14, 21—13; Mekhri (Hyd.) beat Venkatesh (Mysore) 21—16, 21—17. S. Azam (Hyd.) beat Anantharaman (Mysore) 21—19, 19—21, 21—7; Mekhri (Hyd.) beat Padmanaban (Mysore) 21—11, 21—17; W. Ahmed (Hyd.) beat Anantharaman (Mysore) 14—21, 21—13, 21—11; S. Azam (Hyd) beat Anantharaman (Mysore) 21—11, 21—16; Hyderabad beat Mysore by 5—1.

The Sportsman's Sportsfolio

Physical Education Conference In Bombay

BY J. C. MAITRA

Plans are afoot to hold the first Physical Education Conference in Bombay in the month of February. Dr. K. S. Mhaskar is the moving spirit behind this movement. A few years ago an All-Maharashtra Conference has held in our city through his initiative. It was highly successful in every way and I have no doubt that the next one will be equally successful. But it is not enough merely to hold a conference, pass a few resolutions, stage some physical demonstrations and end by appointing a Committee to sleep over them for the rest of the year or till another session is convened. It is more than imperative that something more substantial and tangible is done during the year.

A VAST PROBLEM

The problem of physical education is a vast one for our province and the country. Our people are notoriously weak and unhealthy. It is true that our poverty is mainly responsible for our physical defects. Unless we are adequately and properly fed, we cannot be healthy and strong. Let alone nutritious food, we do not get enough to fill our stomachs. Under the circumstances, we can hardly compare ourselves with the peoples of the west. Their per capita income is much higher than ours. So they can afford to build up a sound physique. Besides their Governments are fully alive to their responsibilities. They do everything possible to improve the physical well-being of their peoples.

PRESENT HANDICAPS

Till recently we were living under foreign domination. We attributed all our ills to their misrule. Now we are a free nation. We cannot blame anybody else if we remain weak any longer. It is true that we are still suffering from the evil effects of the last war which was by no means India's creation or of her leaders' choice. How long we shall have to suffer from it heaven alone knows! On the top of it the division of the country has opened the flood-gates of our misery and destitution. We do not know how long these evils will persist. I do not see any other alternative than to endure them in patience till they last.

EYE-WASH AND REALITY

But we must look to the future with hope and faith. The Government of our country is now in our hands—in the hands of the people, the masses. We must see to it that the Government does their duty by the people as other Governments do in Europe and America. Some years ago the Congress Ministry in Bombay and other provinces made physical education compulsory in our schools and colleges. Has that improved the health and physique of our boys and girls in any measure? Not a bit. It is a pious resolution and a mere eye-wash. Nobody takes it seriously.

Time has come however when it should be made a stern reality. I am afraid the Government alone will not be able to bring it about, although it will have to supply the munitions—by way of finance, etc.,—to wage a war against physical unfitness. The people themselves must rise in revolt and drive it away from the land for ever. Then only it will be possible for India to stand abreast with the leading nations of the world in every sphere of activity. If the conference succeeds in giving life to such a dynamic movement it will not have met in vain.

QUEENSLAND FALTER IN SHEFFIELD MATCH

ADELAIDE, Dec. 25, (Reuter): After a first-wicket partnership of 117 Queensland faltered in their Sheffield Shield game with South Australia, which opened here today, and were all out for 248. Before the day's play ended South Australia scored 15 without loss. W. A. Brown (42) and W. W. Morris (96) opened for Queensland and played delightfully free cricket before lunch, Morris in particular batting with freedom in front of the wicket to play all bowlers with ease.

He was unlucky to be trapped leg before wicket, when four short of his third first class century of this season.

Don Tallon 33 and lefthander M. Raymer 39 showed aggression Raymer's score included seven boundaries. Bruce Dooland who missed South Australia's last match owing to an attack of dermatitis, returned to strengthen the attack and showed more fire than previously while taking two wickets for 84 but best figures were 3 for 25 by Ridings.

Inter-Varsity Cricket

LUCKNOW, Dec. 25, (A.P.I.): Lucknow defeated Calcutta in the semi-final of the North Zone Inter-Varsity Cricket Championship by 17 runs.

ROUTE MARCH TO GUJARAT OLYMPICS

(From Our Correspondent)

RAJKOT, Dec. 20.

A spectacular route march of a group of Athletes from Surat, left Surat on December 20 to attend the Gujarat olympic sports to be held at Ahmedabad on December 27 and 28. The leader of the group will carry with him a flame taper from the sacred fire kept burning during the last year at Maruti Vyayam Shala at Surat. The marchers will foot out the distance of 225 miles in seven days and reach Ahmedabad in time for the olympics.

Splendid Third-Wicket Partnership

Dickinson's Innings Enliven Ranji Contest At Brabourne Stadium

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A splendid third-wicket partnership of 216 runs between Ibrahim and P. Dickinson of the home team was the feature of the first day's game in the second round of the Cricket Championship of India for the Ranji Trophy between Bombay and Maharashtra which began at the Brabourne Stadium this morning. The home team steadily mastered the visitors' effete and limited attack and was in a formidable position at the close of the day, having collected 321 runs for loss of only three wickets.

Ibrahim and Dickinson practically monopolised the day's batting and were separated only a little after the tea interval when the latter succumbed to medium paced Dalvi who successfully appealed for l.b.w. against him when the score-board showed 267, and when he himself had carried his bat to a valuable 122. Ibrahim was unbeaten with 113 to his credit

The Maharashtra captain Jadhav utilized nine bowlers relying mainly on Nimbalkar, Chaudhary and himself, all right-hand, medium-paced bowlers. All the three worried the batsmen during the first two hours' play and helped a good deal in keeping down the pace of run-getting.

Mantri and Ibrahim opened the game for the home team before a practically empty Stadium. The game was dull, the batsmen showing no hurry to score. Ibrahim played in his usual defensive style without taking any risk and took full 37 minutes to reach his first decade. Mantri had to pay for his adventurous spirit, being caught by Rege off Deodhar when the score was only 51.

With the entry of Dickinson in the field a memorable partnership began, a partnership that turned out to be the brightest part of the day's game. A splendid sizer by him greatly relieved the dullness of the pre-lunch game. The plodding Ibrahim completed his 50 just a shade before the lunch interval.

Exhilarating cricket was witnessed after lunch. Both the partners striking form and hit out in all directions. Runs came pouring in fast. 110, 120, 130, 140 and 150 flashed past the board in quick succession. 100 of the partnership was reached in a little over as many minutes.

With new ball coming in at 200, changes in bowling followed, but had no effect on the well-settled batsmen. Dickinson was the faster of the two and added substantially to the total, hitting mercilessly almost all the bowlers. Reaching his 50 a little after lunch he went merrily on and was easily ahead of Ibrahim in no time. He was the first to reach his century which he took 167 minutes to complete. Ibrahim was then 80. When the game closed for tea both Ibrahim and Dickinson were not-out with 93 and 118 respectively to their credit in a total of 250.

Shortly after tea Dinckinson fell a victim to Dalvi, the umpire upholding the latter's appeal for l.b.w. The outgoing batsman had played a valuable innings and his contribution of 122 included 17 fours and one sixer.

Uday Merchant partnered Ibrahim but soon returned to the pavilion being caught in the slips by Rege off Nimbalkar when he had scored only four.

Dalvi who came in next saw his captain complete his century after plodding on for 260 minutes. 300 of the innings were reached in no time. For the remaining half hour both the batsmen put up a defensive attitude, and their contribution during this period was almost niggardly. When the stumps were drawn for the day both Ibrahim and Dalvi had remained unbeaten with 113 and 28 respectively to their credit in a total of 321.

The following represented the rival teams:—

BOMBAY:—K. C. Ibrahim (Captain), M. K. Mantri, P. R. Umrigar, P. J. Dickinson, M. M. Mohiuddin, J. J. Kore, M. N. Raiji, U. M. Merchant, K. K. Tarapore, V. R. Amladi and M. M. Dalvi.

MAHARASHTRA:—K. M. Jadhav (Captain), P. G. Joshi, M. R. Rege, B. B. Nimbalkar, S. K. Bannerjee, D. N. Gundi, S. D. Deodhar, M. G. Dalvi, V. S. Patwardhan, D. G. Chaudhari and G. R. Mane.

The following was the score at the day's end.

K. C. Ibrahim batting	113
M. K. Mantri c Rege b Deodhar	31
P. J. Dickinson lbw Dalvi	122
U. M. Merchant c Rege b Nimbalkar	4
M. Dalvi batting	28
Extras	23
(Total for 3 wkts).	321

BOWLING ANALYSIS:—

	O	M	R	W
K. M. Jadhav	16	5	52	0
B. B. Nimbalkar	19	3	68	1
S. K. Bannerjee	1	0	9	0

(Continued in Col. 2)

(Continued from Col. 5.)

S. D. Deodhar	7	2	12	1
V. S. Patwardhan	9	0	23	0
G. K. Mane	8	2	19	0
D. G. Chaudhery	16	2	54	0
M. G. Dalvi	13	1	52	1
M. R. Rege	2	0	9	0

FALL OF WICKETS:—51/1; 267/2; 276/3.

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RACING UNDER IDEAL CONDITIONS

Judiciary In India Must Be Independent Of Executive

U. P. Chief Justice Calls For Speedy Settlement Of Issue

KANPUR, Dec. 24, (A.P.I.): "Our freedom and independence will not be worth having unless we are able to maintain the rule of law and order and that an independent Judiciary, uncontrolled and uninfluenced by the Executive but supported by a strong Bar is essential", said Mr. B. Mullick, Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court inaugurating the third annual session of the U. P. Lawyers conference here today. Mr. Paerey Lal Banerjee, Advocate-General, U. P. presided.

Mr. Mullick emphasised the need of overhauling the Bar and complained that the leaders of the Bar did not give sufficient thought to the well-being of the Bar as a whole and to its reconstitution." The time has come", he said, "when, instead of talking in generalities and paying each other compliments, we should sit down to work and pool all our knowledge and experience to remodel the Bar in such a way that it may be able to discharge its duties, in an Independent India in an efficient manner and that lawyers may still continue to be in the vanguard of all progress and be the most respected citizens of the country".

Mr. Mullick put forward various suggestions for the betterment of the Bar and pleaded for making the Bar an autonomous body.

SEPARATION OF JUDICIARY FROM EXECUTIVE

Referring to the question of separation of Judiciary from the Executive, Mr. Mullick said that the importance of the question had been recognised from the time of the first Congress Ministry and regretted that nothing has been seriously done to achieve that end. He also suggested that the question of a common language for the courts and such other matters which required long-ranged planning should be done on an All-India and not merely on a provincial or local basis and after the Central Government had had time to consider what should be the language of the Supreme Court.

"We must point the torch onwards and recognise and discuss the evils and the faults that have crept into our profession, however unpleasant the task may be," said Mr. Prearey Lal Bannerji, Advocate-General, U. P. presiding over the conference.

Mr. Bannerji said that he could not subscribe to the extreme view that was held by some that they should bury or burn all foreign reports nor did he consider that a study of these reports would be playing at Trans-Atlantic excursions. As long as the broad principles of justice equity and good conscience continued to govern the basis of judicial administration, and he was sure it would do so for ever, Judges in India were not only to be the administrators of law and justice but should be jurists also and study of what would soon become law would be an unmistakable sign pointing to the fact that there was a desire to develop the law in the mind of the people which should not act in a spirit of exclusiveness and conservatism in matters judicial.

Messages of good wishes sent by Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru, the Founder-President of the conference, was read out.

European As Bhavnagar Port Manager

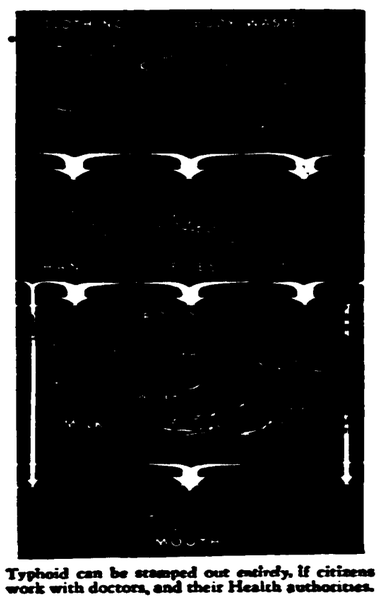
(From Our Correspondent)

BHAVNAGAR, Dec. 24

One European, Blatton, from Vizagapattam has been appointed on a big salary as Port Manager in addition to the European Railway Manager—already appointed. Such appointments of Europeans, instead of Indians, have created great dissatisfaction among the public and staff.

How to make your family safe from dread Typhoid

Before the rash, comes fatigue, loss of appetite, headache, fever, constipation or diarrhoea.



Typhoid can be stamped out entirely. If citizens work with doctors, and their Health authorities.

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Suspect Typhoid if you see rosy spots on the stomach, chest or back. This will have followed a period of diarrhoea, accompanied by a headache, loss of appetite, a slow-rising fever. (Typhoid sets in on an average of 7 to 14 days after infection.)

Know where Typhoid danger lurks. Study the chart above carefully. It shows you how typhoid microbes travel, may end in your mouth. This is why if there is typhoid in your home, you must disinfect the patient's waste matter with chlorinated lime, or whatever your doctor recommends. Dishes and other things that come into contact with the patient must be disinfected also—your doctor will tell you how. Perhaps the commonest cause of typhoid epidemics is drinking polluted water. So be extra careful when you travel, or are in unfamiliar places.

Follow these rules AND be vaccinated! To prevent typhoid in your own home, take these precautions:

(1) Protect food from microbe-bearing flies by covering it, screening doors and windows, using covered garbage cans.
(2) Be sure to use pure water. If in doubt, boil it!
(3) Never drink raw milk, or foods made from it.
(4) Be sure all food is cooked thoroughly.
(5) Look at the chart here, again. Then check your hands, nails, how it's washed, and prepared.

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TO-DAY

Hindu: Margasirsh Shud 14, 2004.
Muslim: Safar 12, 1367.
Parsi: Tir 24, 1317.
Sunrise: 7-09 a.m. Sunset: 6-09 p.m.
Hightide: 10-06, 23-40.
Lowtide: 04-42, 16-38.

Domestic Occurrence

DEATH.

SHAH—Mr. Dhirajlal Chhaganlal Shah expired on Thursday afternoon, at 5 p.m., at his residence, 234, Walkeshwar Road (Dr. Sukhtanker Building). Uthamna ceremony takes place at his residence on Friday, between 4 and 5 p.m.

Today's Engagements

BUDDHA DUTA SOCIETY: Purnima Festival at Srimati J. K. Birla's Sri Budha-Vihara, Worli, Bombay, today, at 5 p.m.

BOMBAY'S NEW MARATHI DAILY: The Express Newspapers Ltd., proprietors of the "Sunday Standard" and the "National Standard" are bringing out a new Marathi daily, early in January next year. Mr. T. V. Parvate, has been appointed as editor of the paper.

SHRI MAHAVIRA JAINA VIDYALAYA: Annual sports of students today, at 8-30 a.m. (S. T.), at the Gowalia Tank Maidan. Sjt. Vijay Merchant will preside.

Annual Elocution Competition in Gujarati at 6-30 p.m

Annual Elocution Competition in English tomorrow (Saturday), at 8-30 a.m.

Annual social gathering and prize distribution, dramatic skits, songs, etc., will be held on Sunday, the 28th inst., at 7 p.m.

FRIENDS OF THE SOVIET UNION: Soviet Exhibition entitled "Education and Character Training in the U. S. S. R." at R. M. Bhatt School, Parel (near Kamgar Maidan), opening today, at 5 p.m. Visiting hours are daily from 2 to 8 p.m. and on holidays from 8-30 to 11-30 a.m. and 2 to 8 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: "Sevenfold Man" is the subject to be taken up for consideration, today at 6-15 p.m., at Jehangir Wadia Building, Opp. Flora Fountain.

BOMBAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY: Indian History Congress 10th Session, inauguration by the Hon'ble Mr. B. G. Kher, at 10-30 a.m., at Convocation Hall, today.

EXHIBITION OF HISTORICAL AND ACHAEOLOGICAL MATERIAL: Exhibition of Historical and Archaeological material of Bombay and Western India opening today, at 5 p.m., in the Prince of Wales Museum. H. E. Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa, Governor of Central Provinces and Berar, will open the Exhibition.

BOMBAY STUDENTS' CONGRESS: Conference of students of Bombay which was to meet at Brabourne Stadium will now meet at Glider Tank Maidan, at 2-30 p.m., December 30. Pandit Govind Vallabh Pant, the Premier of United Provinces, will inaugurate the Conference.

WEST KHANDESH NON-GAZETTED GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS CONVENTION: Fourth Convention of the All-India Federation of Ministerial Servants will be held at Dhulia (West Khandesh District, Bombay Province) on December 31. Mr. M. R. Jayakar will inaugurate the Convention.

PRABASHI BANGA SAHITYA SAMMELAN: 25th session will commence today (Friday), at 3 p.m., on the grounds of the Victoria Jubilee Technical Institute, Matunga. Shri B. G. Kher, Prime Minister of Bombay, will inaugurate the conference which will be presided over by Justice K. C. Sen.

Rashtra Seva Dal

The Rashtra Seva Dal in Bombay is holding a 2-day rally commencing tomorrow to mark the beginning of the sixth year of its activities. Mr. Jayaprakash Narayan will preside. The function will take place at Shivaji Park Maidan. Tomorrow the programme is a variety entertainment from 9 p.m. to 12 midnight. On Sunday from 4-30 p.m. to 8 p.m. the Dal will give a display of various field activities.

Correction

Mr. T. A. Kulkarni writes:
"In your issue of "The Bombay Chronicle" dated 23rd instant you have been good enough to publish my letter on "Removal of buffalo stables". In that letter a mistake has been made. Instead of the words "prices of mutton and ghee", we should have the words "butter and ghee". The word "Mutton" there carries no meaning".

TO-DAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY, Dec. 26, (Friday).

244 m. (1231 kc/s)—7-30 a.m. Geet Manthan 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-15 News (H) 8-30 L. K. Kunte (Clarinet) 8-45 Saleh Mohammad and Party (Khamsa) 9-0 Govind Kurwalikar (Vocal) 9-15 Moghubai Kurdikar (Vocal) 11-0 Film Hits 11-30 Vilayat Husein (Vocal) 12-0 p.m. Programme of special interest to women (G) 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Gokulibai Kakodkar (Vocal) 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch Hour 4-20 Vilayat Husein (Vocal) 4-50 Zawwar Husein (Ghazal) 5-0 L. K. Kunte (Clarinet) 5-15 Jantar Mantar 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Govind Kurwalikar (Vocal) 6-30 Saleh Mohammad and Party (Ghazal Iqbal) 6-45 U. M. Maniar (Gujarati Geet Seif) 7-0 Gokulibai Kakodkar (Vocal) 7-30 Maze Prasiddha Sahadhyayi 7-45 Abhang 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 "I want to talk it over"—a B. B. C. Transcription Service recording. 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News 9-40 Programme Parade 9-45 Employment Exchange (E) 10-0 Moghubai Kurdikar (Vocal).

VARIATIONS.

41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)—7-40 a.m. Intr. Melody 5-45 p.m. Topic of Day 5-55 Locals 6-15 Rural Listeners.

61.48 m. (4,880 kc/s)—8-0 p.m. U. M. Maniar 8-15 Govind Kurwalikar (Vocal) 9-0 Vilayat Husein (Vocal) 9-30 Bhavgeet 10-0 "Peter's Christmas Party".

RADIO TALK: At 7-00 p.m. on Friday, the 26th. AIR Bombay broadcast a talk by Dr. K. Gopalachari on the 10th. Session of the Indian History Congress which will be inaugurated by the Hon. Mr. B. G. Kher.

WEATHER NEWS FOR FARMERS

FORECAST TILL THE MORNING OF 27-12-47:—Dry weather. Nights will be colder than usual in the eastern districts of Charotar, Kanam and Vakar and in Rewakantha district.

OUTLOOK FOR SUBSEQUENT 2 DAYS:—Dry weather.

NEED FOR ANNUAL MAN-POWER BUDGET

Indian Merchants' Chamber President On Employment Exchanges

In the course of a broadcast Mr. Ratilal Gandhi, President of the Indian Merchants Chamber, said:

After the end of the war, a vast army of persons engaged in the defence services and various war industries were gradually demobilised. The task of resettling and absorbing these disbanded persons in civil life was entrusted to the Employment Exchanges. The experience gained by the disbanded people constitutes one of the most valuable national assets and it was wise on the part of the Government to have taken immediate steps to utilise this war time experience to build up peacetime economy. The need for an annual man-power budget is being increasingly recognised in all the countries. We must have a reliable survey of the available man-power resources.

STEADY PROGRESS

The Employment Exchange Organisation is making a steady progress and has achieved quite good results during the period of about two years that it has been in existence. Till the end of July 1947, in our province, 65,888 persons were registered at the 7 sub-regional exchanges operating, in the Presidency, viz: at Bombay, Poona, Ahmedabad, Surat, Sholapur, Hubli and Jalgaon in 1946; out of these 10,784 were placed in employment. The corresponding figures for this province for the year 1947, upto the end of November, are 46,386 persons registered and 12,471 employed. Our province has thus increased the percentage of replacements from 16 to 25 i.e. 9 p.c. In the City of Bombay alone, 30,472 persons were registered at the Employment Exchang in 1946; out of these 4,436 succeeded in getting jobs. During the current year so far 20,967 persons have been registered and 4,605 got employment.

NEW EXPERIMENT

The employment service is a new experiment in our land, and it would require the whole-hearted co-operation and assistance of all concerned, i.e. the employers—private as well as Government—and employment-seekers to make a success of this experiment. Employers must make it a point to get their requirements of various categories of personnel through the Employment Exchanges. Persons in need of employment must als from the habit of getting suitable jobs through these exchanges. In other words, both employers and workers must become more and more "Employment Exchange minded."

Our Employment Exchanges have to make a large leeway to come up to the standard of similar organisations obtaining in the industrially more advanced countries.

The ultimate object of planning according to the recent trend of economic thought is the raising of the general level of income and ensuring of full employment. The same object underlies the various plans of economic development in India including the famous "Bombay Plan."

PROSPECTS AF EXPANSION.

The time may not be far off when, with the all-round industrialisation of our country we will feel the necessity of a net-work of Employment Exchanges with branches even in the remote parts of the country in order to ensure that in no possible manner is the smallest unit of man-power available to the country allowed to go waste. It is in the interest of all of us, including private employers, to extend our whole-hearted co-operation to the Employment Exchange organisation and to assist it in the discharge of its ever increasing duties and responsibilities.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTIFICATION.

A notification says: "U. S. A. Administration notifies that owing to technical difficulties telegrams to U. S. A. are likely to be delayed. Senders of Christmas messages to U. S. A. are advised to booking the messages as early as possible."

Whitley Councils And Govt. Employees

Deputation Discusses Rules With Labour Minister

BOMBAY, Thursday.

A deputation consisting of Messrs. S. S. Kavalekar, N. S. Giradkar, D. N. Naik, J. J. Limaye, V. V. Parulekar, Yeshwantrao Chavan (Poona), Joshi (Thana), and A. S. Mankikar, from the Bombay Government Staff Federation led by Shri Asoka Mehta was received by the Hon'ble Minister for Labour, Shri Gulzarilal Nanda, in his office at the Secretariat today. Sir Ivon H. Taunton, the Chief Secretary, Government of Bombay, was also present.

The deputation discussed with the Hon'ble Minister the rules for the constitution of Whitley Councils and Joint Committees which would consist of members from the staff and the Government in equal numbers. The scheme is being finalised by Government and will be sent to the Federation shortly. The deputation raised the question of absorption of temporary employees and pointed out that those at Surat and Thana had been already served with notices of discharge. The Hon'ble Minister promised to apply his mind to this question immediately and to discuss it further with the Federation in time.

It was pointed out that Government did not consult the Federation on the issue of the revision of pay-scales. The importance of doing so was emphasised since, by accepting the conditions laid down by Government for recognition, the Federation had denied to itself the right of seeking recourse to direct action. The Hon'ble Minister stated that the decisions of Government on this point had been almost taken and that they might be declared shortly. The point would be considered further.

A note from the Thana Unit of the Federation regarding application of Bombay Pay Scales to the Thana District was submitted to the Chief Secretary.

Dearness Allowance For Primary Teachers

The Government of Bombay has directed all District Local Boards and Local Authority Municipalities to pay their primary school teachers, with effect from August 16, 1947, the revised rates of dearness allowance sanctioned by Government in August last, if they have not done so already. The entire expenditure incurred by the District Local Boards on this account will be met from the Provincial revenues, while that of the Local Authority Municipalities will be admitted for purposes of Government grant at the existing rates.

Give Them A Lift

W.I.A.A.'S APPEAL: Our public transport systems are greatly overburdened today. Trams, buses and trains are crowded far beyond their normal capacities. Thousands of people face an uncomfortable ride to and from their work every day—so states a Press Note issued by the W.I.A.A.

Every motorist can help to ease this abnormal pressure. Don't drive with empty seats in your car. Offer a ride, whenever you can, particularly to elderly folk and women with children. If you drive to town and back every day, give a regular lift to people who live near you.

Are you put off by the thought of claims on you in case of accident? Then check with your motor insurance company to see if you are covered. If not, you can take out a passenger-risk policy—a small enough premium on a simple, friendly gesture of good citizenship.

RANJIT'S

WOH ZAMANA

Daily: 3-30, 6-30 & 9-30

IMPERIAL

D. C. SHAH DIES

Well-Known Film Critic

BOMBAY, Thursday.

"The Bombay Chronicle" regrets to report the death of Mr. Dairajlal Chhaganlal Shah, the well-known film critic, at his Walkeshwar residence this afternoon, at the age of 52.

Known popularly as "D. C", Mr. Shah has been an active free-lance journalist and publicist for over a quarter of a century. Mr. Shah was film critic of several journals including the "National Standard", the" Sunday Standard" and the "Blitz". He was also High Court reporter of several newspapers, including the "Free Press Journal" and was publicity adviser to a number of film concerns. His criticism had earned him the esteem and friendship of several personalities on the stage and the screen and his amiable manners had earned him the friendship of many journalists of Bombay.

Mr. D. C. Shah's health had been indifferent for some time, but the end came unexpectedly. He leaves behind him his wife, two sons and two daughters.

OFFICIAL AND PERSONAL

BOMBAY, Thursday.

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Colville, accompanied by H. E. the Commander-in-Chief, East Indies Station, and Lady Palliser attended the Christmas Day Service at All-Saints Church, Malabar Hill.

His Excellency and Lady Colville visited the Children of their Staff at Government House and also visited the Body Guard Lines at Mahalakshmi.

His Excellency and Lady Colville, accompanied by H. E. the C-in-C, East Indies Station, Lady Palliser, Miss Palliser, Miss Scott-Phillips and Sir David Monerieffe dined with Sir Homi and Lady Mody at No. 1, Carmichael Road.

PARSIS ADVISED TO MOVE WITH TIMES

Dr. Bulsara's Plea At All Gujerat Conference

SURAT, Dec 26 (A. P. I.): Parsis from all over Gujerat met in conference today under the presidentship of Dr Jal Faros Bulsara.

Mr. Jamasnaji Vakil, welcoming the president and delegates, said that the conference was not meant to muster strength for putting forward demands on behalf of Parsis or other communal purpose, but to discuss and suggest ways and means to improve the Parsi community.

Dr. Bulsara in his presidential address said that if need be changes in keeping with the march of time should be made in the religious rules of Parsis. "It is natural that religion undergoes evolution and thus progress. If any religion wants to be static, it should be called irreligion."

Religion, he said, is for man's comfort and progress and added that man should not be tied down by the useless rituals of religion.

Dr. Bulsara appealed to old men and the youth to work together for the progress of the community and for the country. He assured the Government of the wholehearted loyalty of the community.

Declaring open an exhibition Dr. Bulsara appealed to the Government and philanthropists to build an Exhibition Hall in every town and city in the country. He pointed out that in the west every town had its own Exhibition Hall because exhibitions were the medium between the buyers and the producers.

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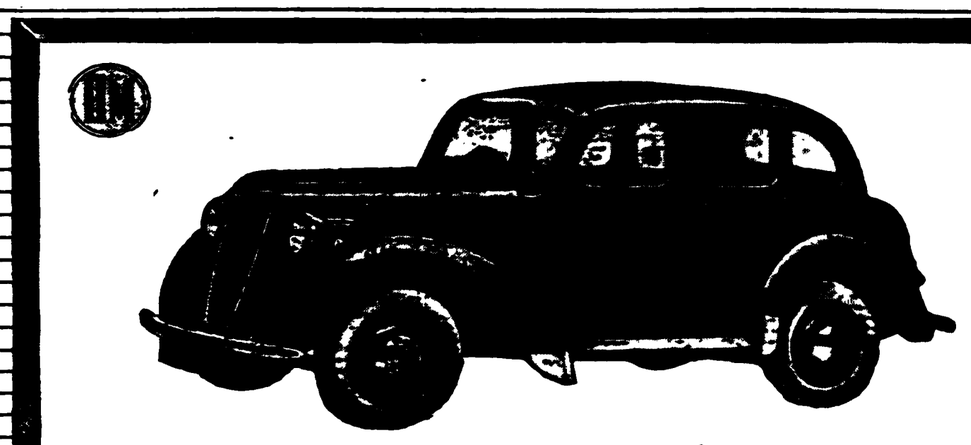

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WEATHER SUMMARY

POONA, Dec. 25, (A. P. I.): The following is the daily weather summary for Thursday, the 25th December 1947:—

Observations from North-West India are absent. A western disturbance is apparently moving across the extreme north of the country. Weather has been dry over the country except for a few showers in Assam and Malabar. Night temperatures have fallen appreciably over the country outside north-west India and the west coast of the Peninsula.

FORECAST UNTIL THE 26TH EVENING: A few showers will occur in Kashmir, the North-West Frontier Province, the South Coromandel coast and South Malabar. Night temperatures will fall further in the Peninsula North-East India and the Central Provinces.

EARTHQUAKE REPORT: An earthquake shock or moderate intensity at its origin with epicentre about 5,440 miles away from Poona was recorded by the seismographs in the Meteorological Office, Poona, at 11 hours 04 mins. (I. S. T.), on Wednesday, (24th Dec.).

ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, Dec. 25, (A. P. I.): The following is the daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, total rainfall from 1t November, 1947, and departure from the normal, recorded at 08-00 hours (I. S. T.), on 25th December, 1947:—

Ahmednagar 82 59 0 1.5 plus 0.2, Allahabad 72 49 0 0 minus 0.6, Bangalore 83 59 0 1.1 minus 1.9, Baroda 83 44 0 0 minus 0.8, BOMBAY 92 72 0 0 minus 0.6 Calcutta 81 58 0 1.1 plus 0.1, Calicut 90 76 0 0.4 minus 5.9, Cawnpore 70 45 0 0.3 minus 0.2, Colombo 85 74 0.2 11.0 minus 6.7. Delhi 67 46 0 0.3 minus 0.1, Hyderabad (Dn.) 84 58 0 1.1 minus 0.3, Jacobabad nil, Jaipur 70 44 0 0.3 0, Jamshedpur 81 57 0 1 —, Jubbulppre 77 43 0 0 minus 0.7, Karachi 80 51 0 0.3 minus 0.1, Lahore 65 51 0 0.4 0, Lucknow 69 50 0 0.1 minus 0.4, Madras 85 70 0 3.3 minus 14.5, Mysore 84 63 0 1.9 minus 1.3, Nagpur 83 49 0 0.1 —, Patna 73 53 0 0 minus 0.5, Peshawar nil, Poona 88 55 0 0.4 minus 0.8, Rajkot 82 46 0 0 minus 0.3, Sholapur 87 59 0 0.4 minus 1.3, Srinagar 43 17 0 1.7 plus 0.3, Surat 89 58 0 0 minus 0.3.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Force produces no solution for the future good of humanity.

—PRESIDENT F. D. ROOSEVELT.

The Bombay Chronicle

MEDICAL RELIEF

Inaugurating the 24th annual session of the All-India Medical Conference in Bombay, Sir John Colville did a service by emphasising the question of rural medical relief. He pointed out that the Bombay Gvernment found it difficult to obtain an adequate number of qualified doctors for rural areas in spite of attractive terms offered to them. He added that this difficulty was experienced in other provinces too. This is obviously due to the utterly inadequate number of qualified doctors in the country. We have in India excluding the States, one doctor for 6,000 of the population, as against one for 1,000 persons in Britain. The position in rural areas is far worse than the average figures show, owing to the concentration of qualified doctors in cities. The Bhore Committee on Health Survey and Development points out that in the United Provinces, for instance, one dispensary serves in the rural areas an average population of 105,626 distributed over an average number of 224 villages. The position in other provinces is not much better. The result is that the few dispensaries are extremely overcrowded. The Bhore Committee says, for instance: "The average time given to a patient was noted, during our tours, to be 48 seconds in one dispensary and about a minute in another". With such figures we surely do not need such an eminent Committee to tell us that "the medical service given to the people under such conditions is bound to be of a perfunctory nature". Such a deplorable state of things cannot be remedied by merely adding to the dispensaries in rural areas, though we certainly need at least thrice the present number of dispensaries. We also need at least thrice the number of qualified doctors to man them.

The crux of the problem then is how to train these additional doctors in a reasonably short period, say, ten years. The Bhore Committee says: "We have placed the target at the end of the first ten years of the programme, in regard to the production of doctors at an annual output of 4,000 to 4,500, as compared with less than half that number of graduates and licentiates combined now being produced each year" This means about doubling the present output of doctors in ten years. This is a poor aim and cannot meet the urgent demands of the country. The Committee is satisfied with it probably because it proposes to abolish the present licentiate course and knows that it is a very costly job to have soon an adequate number of colleges with their graduate course. To provide anything like adequate medical relief to rural areas Government ought to aim much higher And it will be most unwise for them to abolish the licentiate course at this stage. It is agreed that we need about five times the number of doctors we have at present. By all means let there be more colleges, but there is no reason why the shorter course should be abolished till we have a sufficient number of colleges to produce the necessary output of doctors. A course of six years after the matriculation, including two years for the preliminary science course, is surely not inadequate as a basic qualification for a doctor. The whole subject needs closer investigation than it has received so far, if rapid progress is to be made in providing medical relief to the country. In particular, the question may well be considered if the two years' preparatory science course cannot be reduced to one year for admission to medical colleges as well as schools.

Lt. Col. Amir Chand, President of the Conference, referring to the appointment of a Committee of Inquiry by Government in regard to the indigenous systems of medicine, said that Government should not recognise any system other than the one which scientific opinion all over the world had pronounced to be the most efficacious and practicable. We appreciate the enthusiasm for a thoroughly scientific medical course. But there is much in the world outside the allopathic system which demands serious notice by a true scientist. There is much, for instance, in Homoeopathy, in Naturopathy and the indigenous systems in India which the highest allopathic doctor in the world may learn with advantage. Allopaths cannot afford to assume that they have the monopoly of all that is scientific in medicine. How non-allopathic medical knowledge can be incorporated in our medical courses is a subject which a representative body of unbiassed doctors should decide. Apart from other ways in which Government may recognise or patronise non-allopathic systems, we would venture to suggest that these systems may well be subjects for State patronised research and also for post-graduate medical courses.

Frankly Speaking

Refugees And Pakistan

The influx of Muslim refugees into Sind and especially in Karachi has forced Mr. Khuhro to declare that his province can accept no more immigrants except, of course, Government servants and those who can invest substantial capital in commerce and industry. His is no isolated voice. Several responsible leaders of Pakistan have repeatedly pleaded that there is no further room for refugees in North-West Pakistan. This is by no means surprising because it needs comparatively ready resources for immediate relief and rehabilitation of refugees which Pakistan possesses in a far less measure than the Indian Union. And we fully sympathise with the Pakistan authorities in their difficulties. They cannot take any more refugees. In fact, the present number is itself tragically overwhelming enough a problem.

Duty Of Leaders

But it is not enough for the authorities of Pakistan to declare in so many words that others are unwelcome. They have a duty too. Leaders of the Indian Union headed by Mahatma Gandhi himself are bending all their efforts to the great task of keeping Indian Muslims inside India and of making it possible for them to live in safety and in the full enjoyment of their rights as equal citizens of the Indian Union. They are fighting anti-Muslim prejudices day in and day out. Leaders of Pakistan should openly acknowledge and reciprocate these efforts and contribute their own quota also to the success of Gandhiji's mission. Their first duty is towards their own minorities by the full and wholehearted discharge of which they will be helping their own interests as also the Indian Muslims. Their second duty is to resist the temptation of keeping Indian Muslims tied to them, however indirectly and in whatever form through men like Mr. Ismail of Madras. And their third duty is to join the leaders of India in creating goodwill and friendly relations between the two States instead of talking and acting in the spirit of hostility.

The Pope's Message

Christmas is associated with peace and goodwill. And it is precisely peace and goodwill that are conspicuously absent to-day. Indeed, Christendom in the X'ams season of 1947 is celebrating not goodwill but hatred and injustice, not peace but the imminence of war. Even the message of His Holiness the Pope is a significant reflection of the irony of the present world situation. He assumes that Europe and the leading Powers of the world are now irrevocably divided into rival camps for eventual war. And, based squarely on that assumption, his message is far less an appeal for peace than a powerful call for the strengthening and consolidation of the anti-Soviet camp. The strengthening and consolidation of the Soviet camp is also simultaneously going on apace. Indeed, it is exclusively such activities that constitute national and international life and work almost every where. Peace is not coming but vanishing.

The Tragic Paradox

Goodwill among men? Christendom itself is busy destroying it. Its record of injustice, cynical and blatant, exposes Christendom as the worst enemy of goodwill and the spirit of Christ to which it professes devotional allegiance. Is it promoting goodwill among men to protect and to promote arrogant distinction between man and man on racial and territorial grounds? Is it service to the spirit of Christ to deny nations, races, countries and continents their human and political rights? Yet that is what is being done, with the support and approval of Christendom, —which means the White Christian World—in Indonesia, in Indo-China, in the continent of Africa. And what has Christendom done and is doing to Palestine, where the spirit of Christ was born? The answer is found in the Christmas message addressed to "believers throughout the world" by the Arab Christian Mayor of Bethlehem itself. The "believers" themselves have actually struck a blow at the spirit of Christ in the country of its own birth. What could be a more tragic paradox of the world to-day?

Judiciary And Executive

Mr. B. Mullick, Chief Justice of the Allahabad High Court, has reason to regret that, though the need for separation of judiciary from the executive has been recognised for years past, "nothing has been seriously done to achieve that end. We admit that the evil of a magistrate being also a judge is less injurious now under a democratic Indian Government than it was under bureaucratic foreign rule. Never-the-less it is a great, essential reform that the judiciary must be independent of the executive. It helps not only to give full justice to the people but also to make them realise that they get full justice. An independent judiciary is as wholesome a check on the executive as is a representative legislature.

Italy's Former Colonies

Four-Power Commission Busy In Eritrea

LONDON, Dec. 25. (Reuter): A hard working Christmas is being spent at Asmara, Eritrea, by the Four-Power Commission now investigating conditions in Italy's former colonies, writes Reuters' diplomatic correspondent.

The Commission, appointed last November by a conference of special deputies of the Big Four Foreign Minister, has roughly six months in which to visit Eritrea, Italian Somaliland, Cyrenaica, Tripolitania and Fezzan. It was allowed forty days for fact-finding investigations in Eritrea.

After some initial delays in leaving London it reached the Eritrean capital of Asmara on November 12 and was due to complete the first phase of its field work on December 22. Between then and the end of the first week of January 1948 report of its findings has to be completed for the special Deputies for Italy, who are expected to meet again in London early in the new year.

The Commission has, on a Soviet suggestion, amended its original itinerary by which, after a few days in Addis Ababa, the party was due to fly to Nairobi, Kenya, to write the first section of its report. It will now do this job on the spot in Eritrea over the Christmas holiday.

The latest official report to reach London of the Commission's activities was dated early in December. Up to that time, when its members had about three weeks work behind them, 29 separate hearings had been conducted. Among political parties delegations had been received from the pro Ethiopian Unionist Party, the Muslim League, which favours independence after a period of British trusteeship, and the Liberal Progressive Party, which has similar aims.

ON ITALY'S BEHALF.

From the Italian side the Commission heard the Eritrea Pro-Italian Party, composed mainly of Italian emigrants but including also some local membership. The Commission also heard representatives of the Arab, Indian, Greek and Sudanese racial minorities.

There seems so far to have been no dispute among the Commissioners about which sections of the local public should be given a hearing and no complaints about the provision of information by the temporary British administration.

At some places visited, particularly Massawa, where there were pro-Ethiopian demonstrations, feeling has run high among the local population, but nowhere else has this developed into rioting.

The Commission is expected to leave for Mogadishu, Italian Somaliland, on January 6.

The four senior French, British, American and Soviet Commissioners will spend a few days in the Ethiopian capital instead of travelling direct.

Usually well-informed quarters in London expect that the next meeting of the Special Deputies for the former Italian Colonies, who are due to hear statements of attitude from interested powers, will be convened as soon as the Commissioners report on Eritrea has reached London. In November the deputies took statements from Ethiopia, Egypt and Italy, each of which laid claim to the whole of Eritrea—Italy on a trusteeship basis.

STORY OF REDSHIRT M.L.A.'S APOLOGY

PESHAWAR, Dec. 25. (U.P.I.): Fast developments are taking place on the political chess-board of the Frontier Province and many unofficial and infernal talks are understood to be taking place between spokesmen of the Frontier's rival political parties, the Muslim League and the Khudai Khidmatgar, since the return of the Frontier Premier from Karachi.

It can now be revealed that Khan Abdul Quayum, during his recent tour of the Kohat District, had detailed and cordial talks with Khan Mohammed Aslam Khan, M.L.A., and a Salar of the Khudai Khidmatgars. Yesterday the Premier spent his night with Mr. Arbab Abdul Rahman, a prominent member of the Red Shirt, when, it is stated, they discussed the political situation in the province. And news has been received that Khan Amin Jan Khan, Salar-e-Azam of the Provincial Khudai Khidmatgars, among with his nine associates has tendered an unqualified apology, wherein he has accepted Pakistan as a Sovereign Muslim State and promised to refrain from all anti-Pakistan propaganda. This action on the part of the Chief of the Khudai Khidmatgars and his associates, is understood to have resulted in their release from jail.

It may be recalled that Khan Amin Jan Khan and his associates were arrested recently by the Provincial Government for the alleged anti-Government activities under the Public Safety Act of the Province.

"Outsiders" In Indian Trade Unions

BY B. N. KRISHNA PILLAI, ASSISTANT LABOUR COMMISSIONER, TRAVANCORE

I am one who has recently returned from a study of industrial relations in Great Britain, in the Continent of Europe and in the United States of America. As such I was particularly interested in the remarks of the Prime Minister of India, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, in his recent address to the annual general meeting of the Associated Chamber of Commerce, Calcutta, on the question of labour management relations.

I entirely agree with him when he says that the time has come when few outsiders should go into trade unions. Due to the controversies in India on the question of outsiders in trade unions, I enquired in every country I visited, whether there were outsiders in trade unions in any of these countries. The result of this enquiry was to learn that no non-worker ever came into them. I had discussions on this question with the top leaders of the British Trade Union Congress in the Transport House, London, and every one of them pointed out the evil effects of outside politicians in Indian trade unions. When the unions wanted the help of a lawyer or doctor in their normal activities they engaged them as their paid employees. I may, in this connection, state an interesting episode that occurred in my tour in U.S.A. I casually mentioned to the C.I.O. Headquarters in Washington that I was the President of the Travancore Coir Factory Workers' Union in India before I joined the Department of Labour in Travancore. In a circular letter that the C.I.O. Headquarters sent to their branches to give me all facilities to pursue my work, they mentioned that I was a coir factory worker before I joined Government service. In fact I was an outsider, an Advocate when I was the president of that union. I had to correct this error. Why I narrated this episode is to show how they cannot comprehend the idea of a non-worker being in the executive of a trade union.

Strikes For Political Reasons

One of the evil effects of this feature of Indian Trade Unionism is that it is not un-common in this country to call strikes for political reasons. This would never happen in Great Britain in these days. Even trade unions in U.S.A. do not take recourse to political strikes. I was in that country when the Taft-Hartly Act was passed. I know at close quarters the great resentment felt by American labour against this measure which was passed by the present Republican Senate over the veto of the President. There was a suggestion to call a nation-wide strike against this law. Not only the A.F. of L. but even Mr. Philip Murray, the President of the more militant C.I.O., turned down this proposal. Even Mr. John L. Lewis, with whom I had an interesting discussion in Washington, expressed his disapproval against any stoppage of work for reasons other than industrial. Indian trade unions will have to be manned by workmen if this wholesome attitude is to be taken by them

I do not say by this that labour should not have politics. They may have any politics, congress, socialist or communist. But, as in other industrially advanced countries, politics should not enter the day-to-day working of trade unions. The trade unions in Great Britain have no politics in their normal activities. By and large it is the labour party there that looks after the politics of labour. It will be interesting to learn that the National Union of Teachers in Great Britain run candidates on the tickets of all political parties in the elections in that country.

It is true that the appalling illiteracy of the Indian working classes stands in the way of unions being run by men on the bench. The only way to eliminate this is to organise educational courses for the trade unionists, as is done in Great Britain by the W.E.A. (Workers' Educational Association). The universities and unions in U.S.A. also conduct such courses on a more comprehensive and systematic way. I had the privilege to participate in one of such courses conducted by the Wisconsin University of U.S.A. I think that the Bombay Government have moved in the right direction by organising a course for trade unionists. I feel that this work has to be taken up in all provinces, preferably by universities.

Compulsory Arbitration

I also agree with the Premier when he says that "Government could not allow industrial disputes to be fought out by employers and employees because they were dissatisfied with the present system" But I am afraid that his statement that the "time must come, if it had not already come, that all disputes will have to be decided as far as possible by tribunals that a state can produce", will not command universal approval. This will tend to compulsory arbitration by state tribunals, which is not the way to set up ideal industrial relations. One of the main defects of this is that the parties to the dispute will be looking more to an outside agency for settling their differences than trying to adjust them by negotiation. We have to try the voluntary method of conciliation and mediation and working on the basis of contracts negotiated by the parties through the joint industrial councils before we condemn this and take recourse to compulsory arbitration through state tribunals. I may say in this connection that even Australia, which tried this compulsory arbitration method, is trying to get out of it, seeing how unsuccessful it is

Criticism Against Adjudicators' Award

In conclusion I may be permitted to say a few words on the dissatisfaction expressed by some employers and some of the labour leaders on the awards of Adjudicators, about which also the Premier made a reference. According to me some of the criticisms against the awards are well founded. This is due to the system of picking up adjudicators who had little experience of industrial conditions. In this connection, I feel that the system adopted by the Conciliation Services of the Federal Government in U.S.A. may be emulated with profit. The services have an approved list of arbitrators who are agreed to by both employers and labour and who are well versed in industrial law and industrial conditions. It is from them that adjudicators are appointed when any dispute arises. It should be borne in mind that there is no compulsory arbitration in U.S.A., as well.

Cholera In Syria Holds Up Arab Invasion

Fawzi's Order To 'Liberation Army': Bloody Battles Mark Christmas In Jerusalem

DAMASCUS, Dec. 25. (U.P.A.): Arab plans for an invasion of Palestine by the "Army of Liberation" led by Fawzi El-Kuakji, veteran leader of 1936 Arab Palestine revolt, were delayed, perhaps a fortnight, by the outbreak of Cholera in Syria, it was reported here today.

Fawzi had ordered his troops in the Tel Aviv-Jaffa sector to "remain on the defensive" until further orders, these reports said.

GUN DUELS ON CHRITMAS DAY

JERUSALEM, Dec. 25. (Reuter): Jews and Arabs in the holy city today celebrated Christmas Day with attacks which killed four people—two Jews, one Arab and one Aramenian—as Hagnah and Arab death squads stalked each other through the narrow winding streets of the old city throughout the night. Sporadic gun-duels were fought out between warring bands in Jerusalem, while reports today from other parts of the Palestine told of further deaths in Arab-Jewish conflicts. In the no-man's land between the Arab town of Jaffa and all-Jewish Tel Aviv, guerilla attacks brought a death roll of two Arabs and two Jews, while a landmine explosion wounded a number of people in a Tel Aviv orange grove. In the Haifa area, police patrols were fired on, and two Jews were known to have been wounded by small arms fire.

BETHLEHEM BECOMES AN ARMED CAMP

BETHLEHEM, Dec. 25. (Reuter): Bethlehem, the birth place of the Prince of Peace, became an armed camp today as more than 4,000 British soldiers with their weapons thronged the holy place in Christendom to attend Christmas mass in St. Catherine's Church and visit the Sacred Grotto—traditional site of the nativity.

Bullets whined over the Anglican Church near the Damascus Gate as the police held back worshippers leaving the midnight service while rival gunmen fought.

Rifles were stacked along the sides of the Church where troops, a few Arabs and representatives of the Foreign Consulates and Palestine Commission knelt.

Outside, on the mountain roads between Jerusalem and Bethelehem, where a few hours previously rifle and machine gun fire was heard, armed police and army patrols kept vigil against terrorists as hymns of peace resounded in the quiet Christmas moonlight.

LEAGUE REVOLT AGAINST MUSLIM CONFERENCE

MADRAS, Dec. 25. (A.P.I.): Consequent on the Karachi decision of the Muslim League Council to continue the League's activities in the Indian Union the Madras Ministry, it is learnt, is considering the policy to be pursued in regard to the Muslim League and communal organisations generally.

It is believed in knowledgeable circles here that the Madras Ministry has taken up the matter with the Union Government with a view to considering a common line of policy in this regard.

Regionalism In Education

Justice Chagla's Plea To Avoid Pitfalls

A strong plea to eschew regionalism and sectarianism in matters educational and to work for the oneness of India was made by the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Chagla, presiding over the annual social gathering of the Meghji Mathurdas College at Andheri. Their chosen representatives in the Constituent Assembly, said Mr. Chagla, had decided to have a strong Secular State and any effort to have regional and sectional divisions will have a disastrous effect on the country.

Referring to matters educational, Mr. Chagla said that their whole educational policy was in the melting pot. While the Maharashtra University had become a settled fact, Committees had been set up to inquire into and recommend suitable legislation for the establishment of Regional Universities both in Gujerat and Karnatak. In that context, they should pause and consider the question of the future of the Bombay University which would be in the long run deprived of its affiliated colleges in the three divisions of the presidency. Would it be a Bombay City University and be run as a residential University? These and other questions pertaining to the University of Bombay will have to be tackled by their educationists.

LANGUAGE PROBLEM.

Another question which was agitating the mind of the speaker was that of language. What should be their official language? The new Universities were bound to develop the three regional languages viz. Gujerati, Marathi and Kannada and naturally the English language which had held sway for the last hundred years or so would get a secondary place. Upto now English had been the principal language of the Law Courts and Administration and it had been a bond of union between one province and another. English had been put on the international map and if they were going to have regional universities, why not allow the University of Bombay to give the English language a predominant place? Their 'alumni' would go forth as politicians and ambassadors to foreign countries and it was very necessary that English should be the vehicle of their thoughts.

ADVICE TO STUDENTS

Addressing the students, Mr. Chagla exhorted them to have a spirit of inquiry and refuse to accept any slogans and shibboleths and verity statements that are made before accepting them. He asked them to cultivate a spirit of tolerance and broadmindedness to enable them to build up a strong Secular State. If there was one man in the country who for several years preached this gospel of tolerance, it was Mahatma Gandhi and he appealed to them to follow him implicitly in this matter.

Earlier, Principal V. N. Bhushan reviewing the work of the College, narrated the various activities carried on by the College during the last year. Mrs. Chagla distributed the prizes to the students who passed with distinction in the various examinations and sports.

TÊTE-A-TÊTE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Says Isaa Bindak, a descendant of the Crusaders and the Christian Arab Mayor of Bethlehem, in a Christmas eve message to "believers throughout the world":—

"Fear and anxiety shall prevail among peace-loving peoples until the principles of humanity and the spirit of Christ rule the hearts of leaders and men in power. This holy land, which is stricken with the greatest injustice history has ever recorded, shall, however, give the world a new lesson of how faith in the justice of its case will defeat tyranny".

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"The age of Gandhism is over and a new age is dawning in Free India."

—Shri Achyut Patwardhan.

Yes, yes, yes. Now wake up, brother, will you?

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Addressing the All-India University Teachers' Convocation at Allahabad, Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee said that the educational system in India had produced a strong intelligentsia markedly unrelated to the country's economic and political form.

Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee being one of the most distinguished representatives of that product, we believe him.

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According to a Karachi report, one of the strong probables for a seat in a reshuffled Pakistan Cabinet is Pirzada Abdus Sattar.

He deserves it, having worked for it far and wide according to his brilliant lights.

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Mr. Khuhro says accommodation in Karachi is possible for a limited number of merchants and industrialists who the "prepared to invest substantial capital in commerce and industry" and warns "destitutes and people of small means" against going there.

And, of course, that is that.

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His Holiness the Pope denounces the "emissaries of a concept of life and human society based on atheism and violence".

But if it is based on violence without atheism?

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"He is", says His Holiness, "a deserter and traitor who would give material support, services, talent or vote to parties and forces which deny God, enthrone might for right. ....."

But surely not he who would welcome the vote of such parties for the holy work of partitioning Palestine? Else, what would the good Christians of so many Christian countries from America to Sweden think?

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Greek Communist guerillas have set up a "Free Greece" Government, and the Rumanian Government has recalled all but two of its Embassy staff in Turkey.

Add up the two and the answer is—?

"Kurukshetra: Largest Tented City In The World"

Sir,—My attention has been drawn to certain mis-statements in regard to measures adopted for medical relief for refugees in Kurukshetra Camp published in an article under the above caption by Dr. B. H. Mehta of the Tata School of Social Sciences, Bombay, in your issue of the 24th inst. In that article he has expressed himself as under in this connection:

"Kurukshetra now provides 250 beds in the two hospitals. It must be stated that medical relief is entirely inadequate. A responsible officer told me anxiously that there was one corpse in every five beds each morning. There is no room for most suffering cases, and the authorities should be well advised to ask the help of Army Hospitals if it is not possible to provide 1,000 beds immediately. It should be realised that India has the highest death rate during the three winter months. Over and above a hospital and a small maternity hospital, there are eight dispensaries in the towns."

As a matter of fact when Dr. B. H. Mehta was in Kurukshetra in the latter part of November and early part of December, 610 beds were available for refugee medical relief and not 250 as stated by him. A similar statement by him was seen by me over a week ago in an article of his published in one of the newspapers in Delhi. I did not, however, think it worth while contradicting it then as a party of newspaper representatives had in the meanwhile seen for themselves the extent of medical relief and public health measures adopted for the refugees and had reported in detail the facilities actually provided at that camp. I thought that Dr. B. H. Mehta, before reproducing the same statement in his article in the 'Bombay Chronicle', would have corrected himself, but that not being the case, the public may want to know the extent of medical relief and public health measures actually adopted at Kurukshetra Camp to remove any misunderstanding that may arise out of his misstatements in this connection in an otherwise well-informed article.

It may be added that the number of hospitals available today for refugees at Kurukshetra is 775. Moreover, 250 more cots are held in readiness in case a necessity is felt for such additional bed accommodation. It would thus be seen that the number of beds is now over three times what Dr. B. H. Mehta has been pleased to report in his said article and that the number of treating centres are not two hospitals and eight dispensaries but three hospitals and 16 dispensaries. Arrangements are also being made for adding to their number.

The public may be further interested to know that almost every refugee coming to the camp—whose number exceeded three lakhs a fortnight ago—has been vaccinated against smallpox and whatever smallpox that now exists in that camp is amongst the recently arrived refugees from the N.W.F. Province, that is to say, the smallpox cases now in Kurukshetra are imported cases. The cleansing of all the refugees has also been carried out to avoid any possibility of an epidemic of typhus arising from such infection. As regards the maternity hospital, which he describes as "small," it provides in fact 100 beds with separate sections for clean and septic cases. The number of confinements in Kurukshetra camp came to 400 with only three maternal deaths, a record of which any hospital in a large city may well be proud.

While the camp was in its early stage it was feared on all sides that there would be a very heavy mortality due to pneumonia on account of very cold weather which is ordinarily prevalent in Kurukshetra in winter and also due to the lack of either sufficient tented accommodation or insufficient blankets and rasais. I am glad to be able to state that 95 per cent of the patients suffering from pneumonia admitted into the various hospitals and dispensaries in Kurukshetra are discharged cured: death rate thus being 5 per cent only!

The total number of deaths which used to be 60 per day, on an average, when the refugees collected at Kurukshetra in large numbers about six weeks ago has been brought down to 17 per day, in spite of an increase in the number of refugees in the Camp.

As regards the public health measures adopted in the Camp, it may be stated that the fly and mosquito nuisances are entirely eliminated from Kurukshetra and that thanks to the arrangements made in regard to trench latrines the faecal aroma which used to pervade over most of the camp six weeks ago has also been entirely eliminated except in a small area.

May I request that in view of the interest taken in this Camp throughout the country, this correction may be given the same prominence as Dr. B. H. Mehta's said article.—Yours, etc.

JIVRAJ N. MEHTA.

Camp Bombay,
24th December, 1947.

Markos' Govt. Pro-Soviet And Anti-American

Greek Guerillas To Establish Friendly Relations With Russia

BELGRADE, December 25. (Reuter): The new Greek "Provisional Democratic Government" under General Markos, the Greek guerilla leader, today declared in a radio announcement that its main objective was "to bring liberation to all democratic forces in Greece from imperialist foreigners and their lackeys", Tanjog, the Yugoslav official news agency, reported.

The new Government's task, the radio announcement said, would be to administer the liberated territory according to popular democratic principles to nationalise foreign enterprises, great banks and heavy industry and introduce land refor to give equal rights to notional minorities.

The Provisional Government would "strive to establish friendly relations with all countries in agreement with the aims of the United Nations, and will direct particular attention with establishing friendly relations with the Soviet Union."

"The great danger for Greece is evident" the proclamation adder, "since the American Imperialists are transforming the country rapidly into a political and military base against the European countries of popular democracy."

250 Reds Arrested

ATHENS, Dec. 25, (Reuter): Police arrested 250 Communists said to be members of the "Communist Self-Defence" organisation, in Athens during the night, following the annoucement of the formation of General Markos' Guerilla Government yesterday.

The arrest of other Communists is being considered as part of general security measures and a decision will be based on whether the suspects would be likely to form a Communist "fifth column" in the capital.

The Communists already arrested will be tried by Court Martial in Athens.

King's Health

The general condition of King Paul of Greece, who has had a relapse after typhoid fever, was "very good", and without complication according to a medical bulletin quoted by the Athens news agency.

The bulletin said that the illness continued to make its normal course and the King's temperature was lower

"NEW MANIFESTATION OF COMINFORM"

PARIS, Dec. 25, (Reuter): The formation of the Markos Government in the guerilla-controlled area of Greece was regarded as a "new manifestation of the activity of the Cominform" by the Paris independent Conservative evening paper "Le Monde" in an editorial today.

"Le Monde" often reflects the views of the French Foreign Office.

HOW U.N.O. WILL BE AFFECTED

"Le Monde" added: "They could, then, support it and supply it with arms more openly than they have done so far".

A conflict would not fail to break out in the United Nations Organisation, if the majority of Powers continued to recognise the Athens Government, while others considered General Markos the true representative of the Greek people.

The peace treaties might have to be reconsidered if Bulgaria claimed to send to Gen. Markos the reparations she owes to Greece.

U.S. REACTION

"In Washington, people appear not to believe that anything very much will happen quickly. They suppose that the protectors of Gen. Markos will act by degrees. They recall that Article 51 of the United Nations Covenant would permit, if necessary, immediate action. Moreover, an American naval squadron is cruising in Greeck waters".

ATHENS AIRMAN KILLED

Press reports from Salonika today said that one of the leading Squadron Commanders in the Royal Hellenic Air Force was killed when his "Spitfire" crashed after being fired at by guerillas during fight in the Mount Parnassos Area.

Rise Above Sorrow And Frustration

Mrs. Naidu's Call To Youth To Work For Renaissance Of Freedom: Dr. Holmes' Tribute To Tagore

SANTINIKETAN, Dec. 24 (API):—"We must look on ourselves and on India in the context of world affairs and world events", said Her Excellency Mrs. Sarojini Naidu, Governor of the U. P., presiding at the anniversary and Convocation of Viswabharati, Dr. Rabindranath Tagore's International University to-day.

There was a large gathering of students and staff, as well as visitors, at the mango grove where the function was held.

Referring to the tragedy of bloodshed and hatred in the immediate wake of freedom, Mrs. Naidu said that they would be mistaken if they considered it to be natural and an aftermath. It was but accidental. It had no doubt retarded the peace of the country, but "let us not be dismayed, let us not condemn ourselves, let us not exaggerate the hatred and let us not hate ourselves."

"We are sorry", Her Excellency added, "if we have shed blood, whether directly or indirectly. if we have killed our brothers and been killed and if we have presented to the world a sorry spectacle of free India. But we are as innocent as others are, because I believe that those accidental things, those incidental things, however terrible themselves, are part of our heritage of the present world."

Exhorting the young Graduates to rise above sorrow and frustration and look hopefully to the future, Mrs. Naidu said: "Rise above all evil that is in you or around you. We have to create a new world, we have not to revive old things but to recreate old things which are an answer to these things in new beauties."

CALL TO STUDENTS

Reminding the students of the teachings of Rabindranath and Mahatma Gandhi, which induced one to "rise above the common fear of humanity, to become God," she exhorted them to be interpreters of those teachings and culture to the world abroad, and not merely to India.

Her Excellency 'inter-alia' referred to the expositions made by Dr. Holmes of Rabindranath's teachings and said that they had learnt from him to-day what was symbolic of the great reaction of the West. She urged the "spiritual descendants" of that great ideal to translate and transmit it in the idioms of a modern world. That was, she emphasised, the meaning of progress and reviving what was dead culture.

She exhorted the students to be conscious of the lack ahead, and said: "I am sorry I do not speak as I wished in a free India. We are living to-day under the flag that is the promise of our freedom still unforeseen. We are living under the symbol and prophecy of a banner that is to be implemented a symbol to be realised, a promise to be fulfilled. And, therefore, it is the duty of the young generation to implement the promise of that flag, the significance of the flag and create conditions for that fulfilment."

FREEDOM KNOWS NO LIMITATION OF HUMANITY

Mrs. Naidu said that knowledge was necessary, science was necessary, philosophy and art were necessary, all the things of the spirit and the mind were necessary and they must not be the luxuries of the few. They were the integral qualities that built up a man. They were necessary for service of the poor and for establishing the oneness of humanity.

She had been to many Universities, continued Mrs. Naidu, but she had found in few of them that anything more was being done than performing the routine administrative work and distributing diplomas at the end. She did not often find that knowledge had passed into the character, conduct and culture of the students. Knowledge was worthwhile only when it became the life, culture and very blood-stream of one's being. Men like Tagore had the vision of the God-head of the soul. Men like Mahatma Gandhi knew that it was the duty of humanity to become God. The best way to become God-head was to become God themselves. Man must not be limited and freedom did not exist so long as mankind imposed a limitation upon itself. Freedom knew no limitation of humanity.

"Limitations of ourselves to create things should have no meanings for us" concluded Mrs. Naidu. "Ours is a world to inherit. Ours is a tongue which is the cumulative experience of all countries and all leaders are a part of our inheritance. Why should we disinherit ourselves from the world truths which are our inheritance? I want you and your service, both of you, to go and interpret abroad life and culture and go forth as messengers and preach the great doctrine of India's spiritual and cultural life to the world and not merely to India. I want to-day that all of us should pledge ourselves, not to reviving the glories of India, but to create the renaissance of India's freedom. I want you to carry its message to the world, and through every message, every action, every speech and through all your life, to speak of India's greatness and beauty to the world."

TRIBUTES TO TAGORE

Dr. J. H. Holmes, Professor of the Watumull Foundation, in his Convocation address, described Rabindranath as a world teacher. Here was a man, he said, who had met infinity and dwelt with infinity, and therefrom knew the insignificance of any human life as set against that background. "If there was a man alive who had spoken of the spirit with authority, it was Tagore".

Equipped with the supreme spiritual gift, an angelic gift, Dr. Holmes added, Tagore carried his ideal to every country like the rays of the sun and found its appeal in the hearts of everyone everywhere. "He realised that East and West must be brought together. Tagore, in other words, had the vision of one world, and having realised that vision of one world in his soul, he did not find any reason why it should not be understood by every other soul".

Dr. Holmes recalled Rabindranath's Note of Warning against the evils of imperialism and militarism. The poet understood that in the language of music and literature there was no enmity between man and man, but only unity and peace. Art produced no imperialism, music knew no militarism. "Culture is free and the culture of every man is a part of the universal culture of mankind". In his later years, the poet behaved as if he was a pilgrim and messenger.

"TEMPLE OF PEACE"

Addressing the students and the gathering, Mr. Rajagopalachari, Governor of West Bengal, warned the graduates who received diplomas today not to be tempted by the words of praise they received here or abroad, but to become worthy of the same in its real sense.

Referring to Viswabharati, Mr. Rajagopalachari said that it was a temple of peace and a place of world synthesis.

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New Year Problem...

—Why does it begin on January First? Take a peep into the intricacies of the calendar in the next issue of the "Bombay Chronicle Weekly."

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IMPERIALISM IN AMERICA

Taft Against Thought Of Using War As Instrument Of Policy

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25, (Reuter): There were many indications that some Americans had become imperialists Senator Robert A. Taft, Republican, Ohio declared today in an interview with the "New York Daily News."

Senator Taft who is a candidate for Republican Presidential nomination said: "They would have America assume responsibilities for bases and territories throughout the world for the benefit of course, of world peace.

"Imperialism in any form has behind it the thought of using war as an instrument of policy. In such thoughts there is no will to peace.

PROBLEM OF RUSSIA

"There is much talk today of war with Russia. We may not be able to avoid it if Russia assumes the offensive.

"But every peace loving element should speak out against those who regard war as one of the various weapons of national policy in diplomatic manoeuvring.

AYURVEDA ENQUIRY

Scientific Memoranda Sub-Committee Meets

POONA, Dec. 25 (A. P. I.): On behalf of the Scientific Memoranda Sub-Committee of the Indigenous Systems Enquiry Committee appointed by the Government of India, a conference of about 25 eminent Vaidyas, scientists and doctors was held at the Servants of India Society, Poona, under the Chairmanship of Dr. B. C. Lagu, M. L. A., President of the Board of Indian Systems of Medicine, Bombay.

This conference discussed threadbare various theories of Ayurveda in a scientific manner and arrived at some agreed conclusions regarding their meaning and implications as understood by the Ayurvedic Pundits and their possible interpretations in the modern scientific way.

A report embodying these agreed conclusions will be submitted to the Chopra Enquiry Committee for inclusion in their report.

Pant's Plea To Place Commerce On Scientific Basis

LUCKNOW, Dec. 25. (A.P.I.): "Commerce has to be systematised and placed on a scientific basis if we are to hold our own, what we have lost. Once our country was the vanguard in commercial enterprise. It is but appropriate that immediately after the attainment of freedom we are holding a conference of this type. It is proper now to divert our energy to constructive channels", said Pt. G. B. Pant, the U. P. Premier, inaugurating the first session of the All-India Commerce Conference in the Lucknow University to-day.

Sir Padampat Singhania presided.

DELHI BOMBSHELL FOR JUNAGADH RULER

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orders for, or in relation to, the governance of 25 States of Orissa, according to a notification published in a Gazette of India Extraordinary The States are Athgarh, Athmullik Bamra, Baudh, Bonal, Daspalla, Dhenkanal, Gangpur, Hindo, Kalahandi, Keonjhar, Khandpara, Kharawan, Narisingpur, Nayagarh, Nilgiri, Pal Lahara, Patna, Rairakhol Rangpur, Seraikella, Sonepur, Talchery and Tigiria.

The Central Government have also conferred similar powers on the Government of Central Provinces and Berar with regard to fourteen other States: Dastar, Changbhakar, Chuikhadan, Jashpur, Kanker, Kawardha, Khairagarh, Korea, Nandgaon, Raigarh, Sakti, Sarangarh, Surguja, and Udaipur.

BARODA'S FIGHT IS GUJARAT'S FIGHT

SURAT, Dec. 25. (A.P.I.): Addressing the Central Council of the Baroda Prajamandal at Kalov, Mr. Kanyalal Desai, President of the Gujarat Provincial Congress Committee, declared: "If the people of Baroda have to fight again for getting full responsible Government, all Gujarat will join them. Baroda's fight is Gujarat's fight too."

REFORMS FOR CHOTA UDAIPUR

BARODA, Dec. 25. (A.P.I.): Leaders of the Chota Udaipur State Prajamandal who held discussions on December 22 on the political problems of the State with His Highness the Maharaja of Lunawada, President of the Chota Udaipur Regency Board, have been assured, it is learnt that the new reforms will be announced before January 15 1948.

It is further learnt that His Highness has also agreed to the setting up of an Interim Executive Council in Chota Udaipur and has invited the Prajamandal to submit a list of their nominees.

'GLOBE' STORY ABOUT RAMANAND TIRTH UNAUTHORISED

(From Hyderabad State Congress Publicity Centre)

BOMBAY Thursday.

The 'Globe News Agency' has circulated a message from New Delhi dated 24th December '47 purporting to be a summary of an interview which its correspondent had with Swami Ramanand Tirth, President, Hyderabad State Congress on 23rd December at Delhi. The message is wholly unauthorised. In fact Swamiji was in Bombay on 23rd evening when the correspondent claims to have had an interview with him in Delhi.

MADRAS FORMS HYDERABAD AID COMMITTEE

MADRAS, Dec. 25, (A.P.I.): To aid the Hyderabad State Congress in their fight against the Nizam for the establishment of Responsible Government in the State and for his accession to the Indian Union, a Committee consisting of over 50 members has been formed in the Madras city with the Mayor of Madras, Dr. U. Krishna Rao, as President and Mrs. Ammu Swaminathan (Member of the Constituent Assembly) and Mr. K. Venkataswamy Naidu, (Deputy President, Madras Legislative Council) as Vice-Presidents.

The Mayor in an appeal to the citizens of Madras has asked for liberal contributions to the fund.

DHARAMPUR INTERIM COUNCIL

SURAT, Dec. 25, (A.P.I.): A settlement has been reached between the Dharampur State Praja Mandal and the State authorities on the question of internal reforms as a result of negotiations conducted during the past week between the Praja Mandal leaders and authorised representatives of the ruler And an Interim Council, which will include the Praja Mandal leaders, will be formed shortly for the administration of the State, according to reliable information received here.

An announcement of the settlement is expected to be made on December 28 at Dharampur.

It is learnt that the Praja Mandal will enter the Interim Council and will take steps to draft a constitution for the State which will be submitted to His Highness on his return to the state.

RULER'S QUOTA FOR SABDE MEMORIAL

MIRAJ, Dec. 25, (U.P.I): The Raja Saheb of Jamkhandi has contributed Rs. 1,000, for the memorial of Mr. Anant Vasudeo Sabde who was brutally murdered in May last. Mr. Sabde was the Chairman of the Jamkhandi Praja Parishad.

BLACK FLAGS IN RAJPIPLA

RAJPIPLA, Dec. 25, (A.P.I.): Opposition to the acceptance by the Loksabha of the settlement terms offered by Dewan Bahadur Chunilal Gandhi on behalf of the ruler is gaining strength here, especially among the Leftist group.

A section of the youth is planning to stage a black flag demonstration when Diwan Bahadur Gandhi arrives here tomorrow to conduct further negotiations.

BANGALORE, Dec. 25, (U. P. I.): Dr. M. H. Krishna, Director of the Archaeological Researches in Mysore, passed away on last Monday last due to heart failure, at his Mysore residence, at the age of 52.

ITALIAN MINISTER STABBED TO DEATH

Outrage By Compatriot At Sockholm

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 25. (U.P.A.): Italian Minister to Sweden Alberto Bellardo Ricci was stabbed to death today at a Christmas luncheon at the Legation by a mentally insane compatriot.

Swedish afternoon papers said Ricci and the Legation personnel were gathered for the traditional Christmas luncheon at the Legation at Oakhill, Djurgaden, Stockholm, when an Italian, Cappoci Gluseppe, entered and asked if he could exchange a few words with Ricci.

Capocci said he wished to demonstrate an invention he had made, the newspaper reported. He showed a pair of scissors and, before anybody present could prevent it, he plunged them into Ricci's heart.

Legation Secretary Zitardini vainly tried to intervene throwing himself between Capocci and Ricci who had sunk to the floor. Zitardini was stabbed several times in the head.

Ricci, 55, who had been the Italian Minister to Sweden since 1945, was about to leave Stockholm to become his country's diplomatic representative in Chile. The luncheon actually was a farewell party. His wife has already left for Rome.

PAKISTAN DESERTERS ORGANISE RAIDERS

JAMMU, Dec. 25. (A.P.I.): In the bloodiest engagement yet on the Jammu front Indian Army troops today claimed having inflicted over 1,000 casualties, killed and wounded, on mass formations of raiders, who tried to rush them in the Jhangar area, which the raiders have been reinforcing during the last one week.

The engagement which began on Tuesday night, December 23, in pouring rain amidst snow-capped hills, is still on.

Meanwhile, planes of the Royal Indian Air Force which had been bogged down due to rain have joined in the fray once again. Since yesterday afternoon they have been bombing, rocketting and strafing indicated targets in the Combat area.

This perhaps is the first time that the raiders in such large numbers came out in the open into the clearings between the small hill ringing the Jhangar area.

Air reconnaissance reported back yesterday that a number of fires were seen burning in one area.

Mirpur-Kotli-Poonch, area has been quiet during the last few days, but large concentrations of raiders have been reported in the Uri area in the north.

One report said that 1,500 Pakistan Army "deserters" are leading and organising the raiders. They are reported to be in complete charge of wireless communications and intelligence and planning for the raiders.

SHAHRIR SAYS INDIA IS INDONESIA'S FRIEND

SINGAPORE, Dec. 25. (Reuter): Dr. Sutan Sahrir, Indonesian Republican plenipotentiary, and former Premier who recently returned to Singapore from a goodwill visit to Australia, told Antara (the official Indonesian Republican news agency) today that India was Indonesia's friend.

He said he did not believe that Australia had been championing Indonesia's cause, though it should be remembered that Australia, by swift intervention in the Security Council, probably saved the Republic.

Police Ban Crucial Meeting Of Socialist Unions

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the Socialist Party in the Fodar College. He said that Prof. U. U. Bhat, the Registrar of the College, had to "do a lot of persuading before the Police agreed to permit this workers' educational institution to conduct its routine work."

He revealed that the managements of many factories and mills in the City had decided to declare Dec. 29 a holiday "in view of the overwhelming support of the workers to stage the strike".

Mr. Ashok Mehta will hold a press conference at 3 p.m. on Friday in the Socialist Party office when he will explain the stand of the workers.

The North Bombay Hotel Kamgar Union, the H.M.I. Dockyard Workers' Union and the Engineering Workers' Union (Red Flag), Bombay, have decided to join the token strike.

Rajaram Kadam, a Mill Mazdur Sabha worker, was arrested by the police yesterday night while putting up strike posters.

ABIDALI'S APPEAL TO SOCIALIST LEADERS.

Mr Abidali Jaffarbhoy, President of the Bombay Branch of the Indian National Trade Union Congress, in a statement appeals to the Socialist leaders to abandon the proposed strike. "But if they still persist, it will be evident that the strike is not to secure justice for the working class but it is a vote-catching device and that the Socialist Party is trying to build up their election machinery for the forthcoming Municipal elections", he says.

Asking the workers not to be misled by interested parties, Mr. Jaffarbhoy particularly requests the B.E.S.T. workers and members of other Unions with which he is connected that they should not join the strike because it has neither any definite objective nor is it in their own interests.

BENARES, Dec. 25, (A. P. I.): The four girl students of the Benares Hindu University who were on hunger-strike for the last eight days broke their fast today following the report that Dr. Amarnath Jha has consented to take up the Vice-Chancellorship of the University.

Talk Of Division Of Kashmir Fantastic

GANDHIJI'S CALL TO PAKISTAN TO 'CONFESS LAPSES' AND SOLVE ISSUE BY PEACE PARLEYS

NEW DELHI, Dec. 25. (A.P.I.): In his post-prayer speech this evening Mahatma Gandhi talked of Kashmir. He said he had seen in the newspapers some reference to an arbitration over the issue of Kashmir. Were the Union and Pakistan always to depend on a third party to settle their disputes? How long could they go on quarrelling, he asked.

There was some talk, Mahatma Gandhi added, about the division of Kashmir. It was fantastic. It was more than enough that India had been divided into two. One would have thought it impossible for men to divide a country which God had made one. Yet it had happened and the Congress and the League had both decided upon it though for different reasons. But that did not mean that the process of dividing should be further extended. If Kashmir was to be divided why not other States? Where would this process end?

OPEN INCITEMENT

It was said at first that Kashmir was attacked by raiders. But as time went on it became clear that Pakistan was at the back of the attack. He had a passage of an Urdu daily 'Zamindar' read out to him today. In that the Muslims were openly invited for recruitment and join the Jehad (crusade). Abuses were showered all round. He knew Maulana Zafar Ali Khan during the Khilafat days. In those days too he could curb his tongue with difficulty. Now evidently he seemed to have no check on his tongue or pen. Did he mean that Hindus, Muslims and Sikhs were to be perpetual enemies? Whatever the provocation Mahatma Gandhi advised the Hindus and Sikhs not to retaliate.

The facts, Mahatma Gandhi stated seemed to be that Pakistan was at the back of the attack on Kashmir The Union troops had gone there at the call of the people of Kashmir as well as the Maharaja to help them in defending the beautiful valley. He considered Sheikh Abdulla to be the real head of Kashmir. Everyone who had been to Kashmir hd told him what an unrivalled hold Sheikh Saheb had on the Muslim masses and the few non-Muslims in Kashmir. In these days an Indian prince could remain one only as the titular head even as the English king was.

MAHARAJA'S RESPONSIBILITY

He had heard of murders of numberless Muslims and abduction of Muslim girls in Jammu. The Maharaja Saheb must own the responsibility. The Dogra troops were under his direct control. He had not yet become the mere constitutional head and therefore he must be held responsible for all the acts, good or bad, of people under his rule. Sheikh Abdulla had been to Jammu and had tried to allay passions. He would advise the Maharaja to step aside along with his minister in view of what had taken place in Jammu and give the fullest opportunity to Sheikh Abdulla and the people of Kashmir to deal with the situation. Such a graceful act would become him as the head of a very great and important state in India.

Pakistan was proud of being the biggest Islamic power in the world. But they could not be proud of themselves unless the ensured justice to every single Hindu and Sikh in that State.

THRASH IT OUT

If Pakistan was to become a worthy state, let them and the Union representatives sit down and thrash out the Kashmir affair as they had already done in the case of many other things. If they could not do so, why could they not choose from among themselves good, true persons who would direct their steps? The first step was an open and sincere confession of past lapses. Hearty repentance broke the edge of a guilt and led the way to proper understanding. The Congress Government could never stand for princes against their people It could only deal with princes as trustees of their people.

MISCHIEVOUS COUPLET

Mahatma Gandhi next referred to an Urdu magazine published in the Union wherein there was a verse to the effect that everyone was taking of Somnath temple today. But in order to avenge the happenings in Junagadh a new Ghaznavi would have to come from Ghazni. It had deeply hurt him. How could any Muslim worth the name in the Union entertain such thoughts? Why should he not be proud to associate himself with the act of renovation of Somnath? He hoped that no true Muslim would be proud of the acts which were imputed the Mahomed Ghaznavi.

He had pledged his life to secure safety for the Muslims in the Union. He would not serve from his pledge because he believed in returning good for evil. He asked the Hindus and Sikhs not to be carried away by passions. But he asked his Muslim friends not make the task of reconciliation more difficult than it was. He would not have referred to the mischievous couplet but for the fact that it was to be found in an important publication.

Indonesian Appeal For U. N. "Good Offices"

BATAVIA, Dec. 25, (Reuter): The Indonesian Republican Government has sent a letter to the United Nations Security Council's "Good Offices" Committee in Batavia asking for an investigation of the Republican allegation that 300 Indonesian civilians were killed and 200 wounded by the Dutch Army in the Krawang district 40 miles south-east of Batavia according to Republican sources here today.

The Indonesian casualties were said to have been suffered between December 9 and 14.

A Dutch Army Communique recently said 150 "gangsters" who had been "terrorising" the districts had been" "liquidated".

U.N.O. ATTEMPT

The Security Council's Committee aboard the United States Navy transport "Renville" is trying to obtain a "cease-fire" agreement between the Dutch and Indonesians in Java, Sumatra, Madura and to settle the political dispute.

BENGAL'S FIRST VICTORY

CALCUTTA, Dec. 25. (A. P. I.): The highlights of the fourth day's play in the Inter-Provincial Table Tennis Championship now being played here at the Calcutta University Institute Hall are Bengal's first victory in men's event and Madras' two defeats in the same event.

Vana and Andreades as usual figured in exhibition matches and carried everything in their favour with ease.

'FOREIGN AID NOT AGAINST NATIONALISATION'

N. V. Gadgil's View

NAGPUR, Dec. 25, (A.P.I.): Mr N. V. Gadgil, Minister for Works Mines and Power left Nagpur this morning by air for Delhi.

Earlier he was accorded reception by the Nagpur Provincial Congress Committee.

Talking to pressmen at the airport, Mr. Gadgil denied the supposition that getting the assistance of foreign capital or talent would be inconsistent with the policy of nationalisation of industries to which the Government was committed. He said that Government had to find capital and equipment for the various irrigation projects outside India, most probably from America and they had to pay for this in dollars. They would therefore, negotiate with the United States Government directly or through private firms to supply them the necessary machinery. The machinery would become theirs and the technicians would work under their control and such a position could, by no means be called as inconsistent with the policy of nationalisation.

ALLAHABAD, Dec. 24, (A. P. I.): The first All-India University Teachers Convention opened here this morning at the Vidyapeeth Hall. Dr. S. P. Mookerji, Minister for Industries and Supply, Government of India, presiding.

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MOVEMENT OF FOODGRAINS WITHIN AND OUT OF BOMBAY PROVINCE.

Under the revised Food Policy of the Government of Bombay the ban on the export from Bombay Province of wheat (including Khapli), rice, paddy, jowar, bajri, barley, maize, ragi and gram, (in whole or broken or their flour) except under a permit granted by the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay, will continue.

As regards movement within the Province of Bombay, the orders prohibiting movement of cereal food grains and gram from one village to another or from one taluka to another, or from one district to another, have been cancelled. The only restriction now left is that the movement of rice, wheat, bajri, jowar, maize, barley and ragi together with their brokens or flour, from the Zone comprising the districts of Ahmedabad, Kaira, Panch Mahals, Broach and Surat, to the other Zone comprising the remaining districts of the Province, or VICE VERSA, is prohibited, except under a permit to be granted by the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay. Movement within each of these two Zones is free, except that in the case of the rationed cities of Ahmedabad, Poona and Sholapur, movement into and out of their limits would continue to be regulated by import and export permits granted by the Rationing Officer or the District Magistrate concerned, as at present.

The import and export of the commodities mentioned in the last para into and from Greater Bombay can be made under a permit granted by the Controller of Rationing, Bombay and the Director of Civil Supplies, Bombay, respectively.

There is no restriction on the import of any Foodgrains to any place in Bombay Province, apart from the restrictions mentioned in paras 2 and 3 above, in respect of the rationed areas and Greater Bombay.

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THIRD WORLD WAR NOT INEVITABLE

Unesco Appeals To The World

MEXICO CITY.—A solemn appeal to all peoples of the world to denounce the idea that another war is inevitable was unanimously made by the Second General Conference at Unesco. At its meeting on Saturday, 29th November, the Conference adopted, amidst prolonged applause, the following resolution which had been introduced by the French Delegation:

"Aware of the responsibilities imposed on them by the Constitution of Unesco to further the universal respect for human rights and fundamental freedoms of peoples throughout the world, without distinction of race, sex, language or religion:

"Concerned with the dangers to peace and resulting currents of thought conducive to the idea that another war is inevitable:

"Troubled by the indifference, resignation and even calm acceptance which such currents of thought meet in certain sections of public opinion:

"Unesco General Conference addresses a solemn appeal to all who are concerned with the dignity of man and the future of civilisation, particularly educationists, scholars, scientists, writers and journalists throughout the world:

"Adjures them to denounce the pernicious idea that another war is inevitable:

"To act as a mouthpiece of conscience of the nations refusing collective suicide:

"To combat by every means in their power to surrender to fear and to every form of thought or action which may threaten a just and lasting peace."

M. Wierblowski, the Polish representative, pointed out that the original resolution, introduced by his delegation, and replaced by the French resolution just passed, had been designed to bring Unesco into the struggle against war and against those who incited people to war.

"It is precisely because it is our desire to oppose such things that members of some delegations are annoyed with us", he declared, adding that "this is the case despite the fact that we have not named any special countries or persons. Those whose conscience are not clear in this matter revealed themselves by combatting directly or indirectly every project for effective action against war."

KING ABDULLA ON 'WASPS' NEST

PARIS December 24 (Reuter): The French Conservative evening paper 'Le Monde' reported today a statement by King Abdullah of Transjordan that "the Arab Higher Committee has proved itself incapable of organising effective resistance to the Zionists or of obtaining the necessary external support for the Palestine Arabs".

King Abdullah was further quoted as saying in an interview obviously the Arab Government—Egypt as well as Soudi Arabia and Syria—have no wish to venture into such a wasps' nest.

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cal service to women and children, to devise the type and nature of education for health visitors and midwives and to organise research on the subject with a view to ensuring health of mothers before, during and after delivery in the lasting interests of the nation.

Earlier, Dr. N. A. Purandare, Chairman of the Reception Committee, welcoming the delegates and visitors to the Congress suggested the creation of a common pathological museum of obstetric and gynaecological specimens, the setting up of research centres, the opening up of post-graduate training centres and the opening of more maternity homes in the city as the existing ones were overcrowded.

Entertaining Xmas Fare

Orson Welles Produces Absorbing Thriller—"Her Husband's Affair": Inconsequential Stuff— Streamlined M.G.M. Musical — Strand Picture Revives Old Memories

Orson Welles and Rita Hayworth in "The Lady from Shanghai" (Excelsior.)

SEEING THE SHOWS WITH "SARDI"

Regal

HER HUSBAND'S AFFAIRS (COLUMBIA)

Players: Lucille Ball, Franchot Tone, Edward Everett Horton.

Director: S. Sylvan Simon.

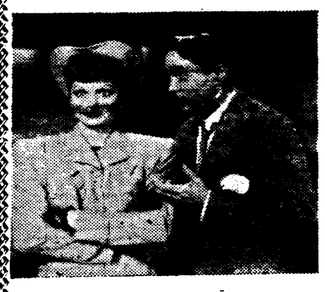
You will not need a sense of humor but rather a sense of the ludicrous to be able to appreciate this frothy inconsequential fare.

Two of a trade, we are told, seldom agree. This is so with William and Margaret, husband and wife, both denizens of the mad world of American super-duper advertising. William finances a mad-as-a-Hatter scientist working on an embalming fluid. The invention, however, somehow deviates into a hair-remover and is put on the market as such only to backfire and sprout abundant hair, whereupon Margaret, who deligts in meddling in her husband's affairs, gets it sponsored as a hair restorer. But the bald men's delight soon turns into a blight, for while it helps normal hair growth in some, it makes others appear like shaggy collies and ends up by giving the mayor a glass head!

From here on the film gathers more and more lunacy till William, jailed for the supposed death of the scientist, thinks of yet another publicity stunt for the newly perfected embalming fluid. His wife once again takes a hand in his affairs and the film reaches a slap-stick end, leaving the pair to continue their hammer-and-tongs existence together.

Franchot Tone is amusing as William, but all the same, what a waste of fine dramatic talent! Lucille Ball is quite in her element as the nit-wit Margaret, with Edward Everett Horton and Mikhail Rasumny contributing their quota of madness.

Laugh away the blues. Not for the serious.



Lucille Ball and Franchot Tone in "Her Husband's Affairs" (Regal.)

Excelsior

THE LADY FROM SHANGHAI (COLUMBIA)

Players: Orson Welles, Rita Hayworth, Everret Sloane

Director: Orson Welles.

Of all the murder mysteries I have seen, the present one proved to be the most baffling; also, the most diverting. Even the red-herring trails ring true, thus intensifying the surprise of the denouement. Of course the film is replete with weird effects, accentuated by innumerable close-ups, all of which indicate the Wellesian stamp. However, this peculiar strutting quality of the production, yet manages to confer on the characters and the situations a remarkable semblance of reality, so that you do not feel you are watching a film but rather the grim facts of existence.

Clever though Welles undeniably is, he has yet to learn that in his personal character interpretations he is singularly apathetic in making his face the mirror of fleeting emotions. Stoicism is all very well in its place, but when an actor perpetually wears a frozen mask, disdaining to register any emotion, he is neglecting one of the primary functions of the art of histrionics. Only a Buster Keaton may get away with it, and Welles is certainly no Keaton.

The picture gets into its stride rather slowly, thus allowing Welles sufficient time to indulge in some soulful outbursts as a philosophic Irish merchant seaman. Here again, his brogue is not very convincing and at times lapses into a real American drawl.

An unconventional meeting in Central Park, leads to Michael, a merchant seaman, being persuaded by Elsa, to whom he is attracted, to join the crew of her husband Bannister's Yacht. Elsa, a Russian refugee in Shanghai, had entered into her loveless marriage merely to acquire the right to enter the U.S.A. Bannister, a brilliant lawyer, has as partner one Grisby who inveigles Michael into agreeing to participate in a faked "murder" of himself, his real intention being not to escape to a lonely island and lose his identity as he claims, but rather to kill Bannister so as to collect his insurance money with the help of Elsa. But it turns out to be a case of diamond-cut-diamond and Grisby is actually found murdered. Michael who had agreed to the fake "murder", is now the victim of circumstantial evidence.

Bannister, jealous of Michael's affection for his wife, volunteers to defend him intending to lose the case. The courtroom scene in which the District Attorney calls the defending counsel as witness and the latter in turn claims the right to cross-examine himself, is a sparkling gem.

Michael manages to escape from the court room and is followed by Elsa to Chinatown where he discovers the identity of the real killer, a revolver being the clue. In a mirrored room, where he is later trapped he faces death at the hands of Grisby's killer. But Bannister walks in and there ensues a duel which results in his and the killer's death, with Michael a free man. This last scene is again a cameo achieving the acme of suspense.

Rita Hayworth as Elsa, really acts for the first time during her screen career. Everret Sloane's Bannister is sinister and compelling, while Glenn Anders as Grisby and the rest of the cast ably contribute to the success of this high-powered mystery.

Tops amongst intriguing thrillers.

Robert Walker, Dorothy Patrick and Van Heflin in "Till The Clouds Roll By" (Metro.)

Strand

THE PERILS OF PANLINE (PARAMOUNT)

Players: Betty Hutton, John Lund, Billy de Wolfe, Constance Collier

Director: George Marshall.

The name Pearl White inevitably brings to mind my childhood days when, much against the advice of goody-goody neighbours, my mother let me go to the "flickers." Amongst my lasting recollections today, is that of the Serial Queen whom I watched, starry-eyed, at the end of every instalment, getting into what seemed inescapable danger—lying, with hands and feet tied, on a railway track with a train fast approaching; dangling over a cliff, at the end of a rope; getting trapped in burning buildings or finding herself in a lion's cage; so on and so forth, but everytime, by the beginning of the next instalment, she had extricated herself from what had appeared unsurmountable peril, only to walk once more where angels feared to tread.....

The present picture purports to be a sort of biography of Pearl White recounting her amazing career from shop-assistant to thriller Queen. A broken down old actress is the reason for Pearl's entry into the theatre world, where Michael Farrington a "ham", signs her up for his production unit, but is dissatisfied with her lack of histrionic ability. Discouraged Pearl and her friend walk out from the theatre into films. The old actress is shocked when she has one of the custard-pies of yore thrown at her face. Pearl rushes to her rescue, and tears up the place, landing into awkward situations on the shooting stages including the aforesaid lion's den.

While Pearl's star mounts, Farrington's sets, but her love for him remains constant and eventually brings them together, though he has lost none of his conceit and still thinks her a bad actress.

Betty Hutton plays Pearl, her erstwhile gusto being, presumably, the excuse for the casting. John Lund is Farrington and veteran Constance Collier the target for custard-pies. Silent favourites William Farnum, Chester Conklin of the walrus moustache and cross-eyed Snub Pollard are also in the cast.

"Memory, hold back the door!"

Betty Hutton and John Lund in "The Perils of Pauline" (Strand.)

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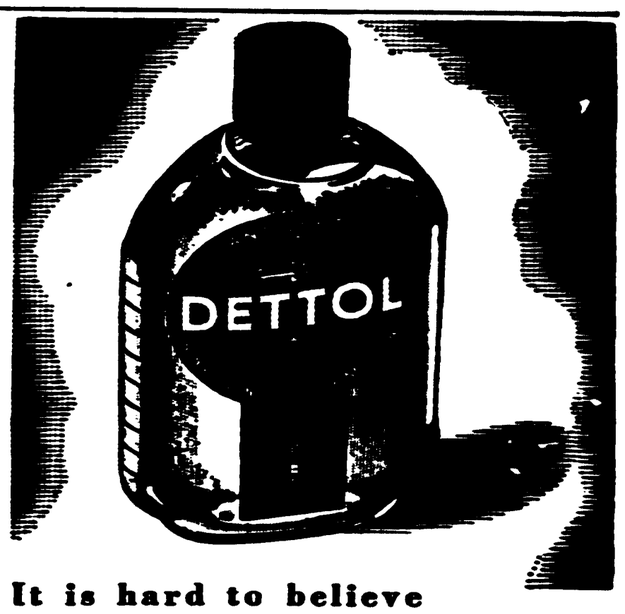

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Sinews For Crusade Against Cancer

Dr. Jivraj On Unlimited Field For Utilisation Of Radium Energy

BOMBAY, Thursday.

"Recognising as I do the unlimited field that the future will open for the utilisation of radiant energy for the alleviation of human suffering and for the promotion of human health and happiness I feel all the more thankful for this opportunity which the organisers of the Second Conference have given me to associate myself with the work of this gathering of distinguished Radiologists from all parts of the country", said Dr. Jivraj N. Mehta, Secretary, Ministry of Health and Director-General of Health Services, Government of India, while inaugurating the Second Indian Radiological Conference this morning at the J. J. Hospital.

Dr. Mehta suggested the establishment without delay of chairs of radiology, at least in selected medical colleges or under the auspices of the universities. He further suggested that a small committee be appointed which would be charged with the duty of drawing up suitable programmes of training in radiology for undergraduates and post-graduates and for placing before Universities, Governments and other authorities a plan of development which would facilitate uniformity in the teaching of the subject throughout the country.

TREATMENT OF CANCER.

Dr. Mehta continued, "radiology has already done much to aid surgery in the diagnosis and treatment of malignant disease and further developments through research will no doubt widen its field of useful activity. Nevertheless, in view of the obscurity which still surrounds the problem of the genesis of cancer, there appears to be no single and effective method of preventing the development of the disease or of dealing with it effectively when it has become well-established. Biochemical agents, radium, X-ray therapy and the surgeon's knife have all their place in dealing with cancer and the cooperation of these types of workers is essential for a coordinated attack on the problem of its diagnosis and treatment. Such co-operative work can be developed in special Cancer Institutes such as the Tata Memorial Cancer Hospital as well as in Universities where, with the proposed establishment of Chairs of Radiology, it should be possible to bring together medical and non-medical workers, such as Biochemists and Physicists, to help in the organisation of well-planned research into the various problems of cancer. I would plead that, in view of only limited funds which India can afford to spend, the purpose in view should be to establish one or two such centres and to develop them into sound institutions for training and research rather than attempt to multiply them all over the country with the almost inevitable result that they will all function ineffectively. In my view what we should aim at, particularly at the present juncture, is quality and not numbers."

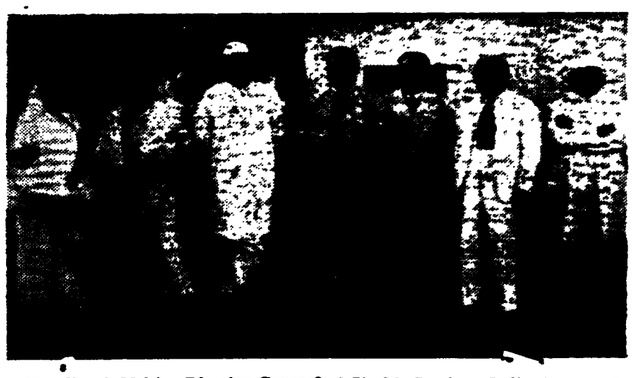
PLACE OF DIETETICS.

"The places where facilities for radium treatment exist are only eight, namely, Delhi, Agra, Patna, Madras, Vizagapatam, Calcutta, Shillong and Bombay. Of these provision for deep X-ray does not exist in Shillong and Delhi. No expansion of medical services will, however, produce adequate results in our campaign against cancer without the education of the people to enlist their help in seeking proper medical aid for the diagnosis of suspected disease and for the elimination of factors in the dietetic and other habits of the people which are favourable to the production of cancer."

STEPS TO REACH OBJECTIVES.

In conclusion, Dr. Mehta stated: "It must be remembered that India is a poor and undeveloped country and we must devise ways and means by which we may achieve progress all round. To achieve the objectives mentioned above, I would briefly summarise the steps necessary for the purpose.

1. Close co-operation between Physicists, Engineers and members of the Medical profession.
2. Promotion of an X-ray and Electro-medical Industry, to enable this country not only to be self-sufficient so far as specialised equipment is concerned, but to have the same at cheap prices.
3. Establishment of a factory for the manufacture of X-ray films and chemicals in this country.
4. Facilities for post-graduate education in this speciality in a larger measure than is obtainable to-day.
5. Facilities for research—particularly in Biophysics, Physics and X-rays and Radium, diagnostic and therapeutic radiology. For this purpose it would be advisable to create chairs in Radiology in various Universities and Medical Colleges."



Dr. Jivraj Mehta, Director-General of Health Services, India, inaugurated the Physiotherapy and Rehabilitation Centre of the Society for the Rehabilitation of Disabled and Crippled Children on Wednesday. The centre now located in a temporary building in the Back Bay area owes its origin to Mrs. Fatima Ismail. Picture above is a group taken on the occasion.

CARE OF WOMEN AND CHILDREN

BOMBAY, Thursday.

"Maternal welfare is the pivot on which depends the future welfare of the nation", said Lady Cowasji Jehangir, speaking while inaugurating the Fifth All-India Obstetric and Gynaecological Congress in the J. J. Hospital to-day.

Lady Jehangir who has been connected for nearly a quarter of a century with the Bombay Mothers and Children's Welfare Society, referred to the heavy toll in suffering and loss of life exacted by ignorance, poverty, malnutrition and frequent pregnancy and expressed a hope that the results of the deliberations of the Congress would permeate the various parts of this country and that its members would give relief to those who stood in need and bring light where darkness prevailed and that their arms would stretch far and wide in the service of the country in the best traditions of the profession on whose members providence had endowed the greatest privilege, namely to succour the sick and to serve mankind.

Dr. Sir A. Laxmanaswamy Mudaliar who presided at the Congress stressed the fact that it was primarily the duty and responsibility of the Government to provide proper medical relief and regretted that in a great country such as ours maternity facilities were neither adequate nor sufficient. It was up to the profession to plan extension of medi-

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Proceedings Against 'Peoples' Age' Correspondent Withdrawn

ABNER GREEN'S ANNOUNCEMENT

NEW YORK, December, 24 (Reuter): Mr. Abner Green, Executive Secretary of the "American Committee for the Protection of Foreign-born" announced he has been advised today of the cancellation of deportation proceedings against Syed S. Hassan, the Indian newspaperman and one of two United Nations Correspondents threatened with deportation from the United States.

Mr. Green said he was told on the telephone by Mr. Ira Gollobin, the Committee's Lawyer who was in Philadelphia, Mr. Green declared that Mr. Gollobin told him the Central Office of the United Nations emigration and Naturalisation Service there had cancelled the warrant for Mr. Hasan's arrest and the deportation proceedings.

Mr. Hasan will leave the United States on January 9 aboard the "Queen Elizabeth' as he originally planned, Mr. Green added.

The United States State Department in Washington referring today to the detention of Syed Hasan by the Immigration authorities, said "we considered him a student, as he entered on a student visa, and we learned with surprise this week that the United Nations had accredited him months ago as a Correspondent".

The Department said its agreement with the United Nations provided that accreditation of alien correspondents to the United Nations should be made only after consultation with the State Department.

"This Government has in no way yielded up its sovereign rights to challenge bona fides of any alien journalist seeking to enter this country or already in this country". the Department Representative said.

The Department Representative said: "We are ready at any time to designate a group of State Department officials to meet with United Nations officials to recommend to them drastic revision of the United Nations system of accreditation of alien journalists.

"It is hoped that a meeting can be arranged at the earliest opportunity to discuss various phases of relationships existing between this Government and the United Nations.

'SHED ALL FEAR OF PAKISTAN INVADING INDIA'

Gadgil's Address At Amraoti

AMRAOTI, Dec. 24 (API.) India's Minister for Works, Mines and Power, Mr. N. V. Gadgil, addressing a meeting held under the presidentship of Mr. Brijlal Biyani, President of the Berar Provincial Congress Committee said that the Nizam will have to join the Indian Union for his benefit and his subjects during the course of next year inspite of the pressure brought to bear upon him by a political party in the state.

Mr. Gadgil exhorted the people to unite and shed all fear of the possibility of an invasion of India by Pakistan or by the Nizam. He said that the British should be trusted to keep their word regarding non-interference in the affairs of the Indian Union and instanced the example of H. E. Lord Mountbatten as an extremely impartial and constitutional Governor-General. He also euologised the services rendered by Lady Mountbatten. He deprecated the attempts by self-seeking goondas and irresponsible newspapers to create trouble and appealed to the commercial and industrial community and also labour to co-operate for the good of the Indian Union.

GUARD AGAINST EXTERNAL DANGER

Thakin Nu's Warning At Party Convention

RANGOON, Dec. 24 (Reuter): Burmese Prime Minister Thakin Nu today warned the Anti-Fascist Peoples' Freedom League (Burma Government Party) against developing sense of complacency now that Burma was on the eve of independence. Other Asiatic nations, he declared might be "looking forward to the day when they can conquer us."

Thakin Nu who was addressing the Party Convention after his re-election as President said: "Who can guarantee that the freedom which will come on January 4 will not be lost, say on Febuary 20."

"The danger", he continued, "is that our leaders may be too complacent. They may think Independence has been achieved, that the Japanese are down and out, that China is busy, that India is divided, that Siam is no cause for worry.

"But do not underrate other nations. There may be some among them looking forward to the day when they can conquer us."

The Prime Minister reaffirmed Free Burma's policy of State Socialism.

SOUTH-EAST ASIA CHRISTIAN STUDENTS' CONFERENCE

MADRAS, December 25 (API): Nearly 600 delegates from South East Asia have arrived in the city to take part in the triennial conference of the Student Christian movement of India, Pakistan and Burma opening here this week end.

The conference which will hold its plenary session on Monday December 29 is expected to study a variety of subjects and problems of South-East Asian countries with particular reference to communal harmony and national reconstruction.

TRICHINOPOLY, Dec. 25 (API):—The future of Tamil Nad Muslims, the steps to be taken to establish friendly relations with other communities and the preservation of their social, cultural and economic interests will be discussed at a conference of Tamil Nad Muslim workers to be held here on Sunday, December 28.

FREE USE OF QUANTITATIVE RESTRICTIONS

Violates World Trade Charter, Says British Delegate

HAVANA, Dec. 24 (Reuter): Free use of quantitative restrictions in world trade would violate the principle of the international trade charter drawn up at Geneva, Mr. Stephen Holmes, British Delegate to the I.T.O. Conference, declared here today, when delegates met to continue discussion of the vexed problem of restrictions.

He said he realised that some countries would find "unsavoury" prior approval by I.T.O. of restrictions which they wished to impose, and added that Britain was ready to make reasonable concessions.

The Argentine representative, Senor Jose Brignoli, favoured the free use of restrictions, declaring that each nations had the right to decide its own commercial policy.

The Argentine needed freedom to develope her resources and to raise her living standards, he said.

FRANCO UNLIKELY TO PROCLAIM HIMSELF REGENT

From Henry Buckley, Reuter's Correspondent.

MADRID—Reports that General Francisco Franco intends in the near future to proclaim himself as Regent are given no credence in official circles here. Such a step, they say, is unlikely.

In any case, he would first have to submit the proposal to the Council of the Realm (Consejo del Reino) and this body has not yet been constituted.

One formality for such a constitution would be a plenary session of Parliament—for Parliament has to nominate its representative on this council.

Nor have the regulations governing the formation and functioning of the Council yet been made public.

One report forecasts that the first meeting of the Council of the Realm will be held in the historic Huelgas Monastery, near Burgos. The building has been repaired and it is reported that tapestries have been sent there from the National Palace in Madrid.

Usually reliable circles in Madrid claim that General Franco recently received a personal letter from Don Juan in which he gave him full assurance that he had not negotiated any deal with Republicans or Socialists and that he did not intend to do so in the future.

Another rumour which was circulated in Madrid recently and finds scant support in official circles, is to the effect that Charles of Habsburg and Bourbon, a former Austrian Archduke, now nationalised Spanish, is likely to be named heir to the throne under the Law of Succession.

Only a small group of Traditionalists appear to support this descendant, through his mother's family, of the Carlist pretenders to the throne of Spain.

The Archduke lives in Barcelona. He was born in Vienna in 1909, son of the Archduke Leopold Salvator and Princess Blanca de Bourbon. He married Maria Cristina of Satager and Balvanyos, a Hungarian girl and not of royal blood, in Vienna in 1939. He has two elder brothers, Leopold and Franz Josef, who live in the United States and who have renounced any claim to Spain's throne, and a younger brother, Anton, is married to Princess Ileana of Rumania.

Fire Breaks Out At Cornwall

24 Families Rendered Homeless

CORNWALL, Dec. 24 (Reuter): A fire which destroyed 12 shops, a score of blocks flats and several offices here forced 24 families out into near zero weather.

Flames licked along one side of the city's main street, causing damage estimated at 1,000,000 dollars and creating what the Mayor, Mr. Lloyd Gallinger, called a "civic emergency."

People made homeless by the blaze left nearly all their belongings in their hasty escape, and spent the rest of the Christmas eve in quickly-improvised relief headquarters at the city hall or in the homes of friends.

U. S. PLANE FORCED TO LAND ON FROZEN RIVER

WESTOVER FIELD (Massachusetts), Dec. 24, (Reuter): A United States Army Flying Fortress earlier reported in distress somewhere northeast of Goose Bay, Labrador, made a forced landing on a frozen river 95 miles north of Goose Bay, United States Army authorities announced here tonight.

The pilot radioed that he was forced down by engine trouble but that "we are on the ground all safe." Army officials said they believed a rescue plane would be able to get in easily.

CHRISTMAS EVE ENDS IN TRAGEDY

Man Jumps To Death After Cutting Five Throats

PALM Beach (Florida), Dec. 24 (Reuter). A Christmas eve visit to make a will ended to-day in a man jumping six storeys to his death after cutting the throats of his wife, his son and his two lawyers with a boy scouts knife. The wife, Mrs. David Ralph Burnside, died. The son, James aged 14 and the two lawyers, Mr. E. M. Baynes and Mr. A. R. G. Hamilton, were taken to hospital.

A Secretary in the law office, Mrs. Caroline Searles, told Police that the three Burnsides came to the office this morning, and that a will was made out for Mr. Burnside leaving all of his estates to his wife.

A few minutes later, she said, the boy ran through her outer office with blood dripping from his throat and his father followed. She said she called for help and then dashed into the office to find Mrs. Burnside dying on the floor, and the two Lawyers with their throats cut

Fire Destroys Government Building In Turkey

ANKARA, Dec. 24 (Reuter).—The Turkish Ministry of Education was completely destroyed by fire last night (Tuesday).

Wind spread the flames rapidly and made it impossible to save any part of the building. The only casualty was one injured.

NEW AGREEMENT BETWEEN U. S. AND PERSIA

Restricts American Mission Advising Persian Army

WASHINGTON, Dec. 24 (Reuter).—American diplomatic officials said today that a new agreement concluded with Persia restricted the United States Military Mission there at the role of advising the Persian Army General Staff.

The new agreement, which amended one made in 1943 during the war, reduced the risk of American becoming involved personally in the event of war between Persia, Russia or any other nation.

The officials said a copy of the new agreement had been filed with the United Nations.

It provided for the conclusion of two American Missions in Persia on March 29, 1949. One Mission, led by Brigadier-General Robert W. Grow comprised 18 Officers and eight Non-Commissioned Officers, the second, led by Brigadier-General Norman Schwarzkope, is training Persian constabulary

Ahmedabad To Honour Sardar Patel

AHMEDABAD, Dec. 24 (API): The Ahmedabad Municipality resolved this evening to present an address of welcome to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Deputy Prime Minister of India, during his forthcoming visit to Ahmedabad.

The Municipality also resolved to request Dr. Rajendra Prasad, Congress President and Food Minister, Government of India, to unveil the bust of late Mr. Vithalbhai Patel outside the Mangaldas Memorial Town Hall.

GOA IS PART OF INDIA

Shankarrao Deo Explains Congress Stand

POONA, Dec. 20 (A.P.I.): Mr. Shankerrao Deo, General Secretary of the Congress, presiding over the two-day session of the Goan Marathi Literary Conference today assure the Goans of the full moral support and sympathy of the Congress towards their struggle for freedom.

Mr. Deo said the picture of Free India drawn by the Congress took into account the people in the States and those now under the foreign domination of the French and Portuguse. "India cannot be said to have achieved its freedom completely unless these people become free. "he declared. The August 1946 resolution of the Congress Working Committee on Goa. he added made it clear that Goa was a part of India and "must inevitably continue to be so".

"We are not prepared to allow a single inch of India to remain under any foreign domination". Mr. Deo affirmed.

GOA & MAHARASHTRA

Referring to the problem whether Goa should form a part of Maharashtra or otherwise, Mr. Deo said that the question could be deferred till Goa had become independent Personally he believd that culturally, linguistically and historically Goa formed a part of Maharashtra. But, he would not agree with the view that "once Goa was free, it must form part of Maharashtra."

"What position and satus Goa should occupy in a Free India" he said. "must be left to the decision of the people of Goa themselves".

Death Sentence On Madagascar Revolutionaries

PARIS, Dec. 24 (Reuter). Ten leaders of this year's rebellion in Madagascar were today sentenced to death by a French Military Tribunal at Antananarivo, capital of the colony, it was reported here tonight.

Another 62 received varying terms of imprisonment or deportation and three were acquitted.

Those condemned to death includes "Generalissimo" Rakotondrab found guilty of fomenting insurrection in the south of the island, the report dded.

INDIAN ECONOMIC CONFERENCE

CALCUTTA, Dec. 24 (A.P.I.): The Indian Economic Conferenec, meeting under the presidency of Dr. P. S. Lokanathan, discussed problems relating to a cheap money policy on Monday. The President, summing up the debate, said that the subject was complex and there could not be unanimous conclusions. His own conclusion would be in favour of maintaining the present cheap money, but there should be no cheaper money.

Yesterday a number of papers were read at the conference on India's commercial policy.

Late Sir C. H. Setalvad

INDIAN MERCHANTS' CHAMBER'S CONDOLENCE

The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber have passed the following resolution on the death of Sir Chimanlal H. Setalvad, at their meeting held on Tuesday last:

"The Committee of the Indian Merchants' Chamber place on record their deep sense of loss at the death or Sir Chimanlal H. Setalvad. Sir Chimanlal, during the course of his eventful life rendered valuable and meritorious services to the country in the political, education, civic and commercial and industrial spheres. The Committee in particular recall with feelings of gratefulness his services to the Indian Merchants' Chamber as Chairman of the Lalji Naranji Memorial Committee. Sir Chimanlal was one of those responsible for the decision that the memorial to the late Seth Lalji Naranji should take the form of a building for the Indian Merchants' Chamber."

The meeting of the Committee was adjourned as a mark of respect to the memory of Sir Chimanlal H. Setalvad.

Hindi Sahitya Sammelan In Bombay

BOMBAY, Dec. 25 (API): Mr. Purshottam Das Tandon, Speaker of the U. P. Assembly and Pandit Mouli-chand Sharma Secretary of the Hindi Sahitya Sammelan arrived by air to-day from Jodhpur to participate in the 35th session of the Hindi Sahitya Sammelan to be held here on December 27.

Nearly five hundred delegates from all over the country are expected to participate in the Conference. His Highness the Maharaja of Bharatpur will be present by special invitation.

The Chairman of the Reception Committee stated to-day that the programme of taking out procession on December 27, the first day of the session, has been cancelled on account of uncertain conditions in the city.

DECCAN SUGAR FACTORIES' ASSOCIATION

Mr. Dahanukar's Views

Mr. D.M. Dahanukar, presiding over the Eighth Annual General Meeting of the Deccan Sugar Factories Association, Bombay, held on Tuesday last stated that the sugar production in Bombay Province has fallen due to the application of the Food Crops Act by the Government of Bombay. The country was facing the fall in production and the recent Industries Conference enjoins the stepping up of production. He urged the Government of Bombay to exempt the Sugar factories from the operation of the said Act.

He further urged the Government for allotment of more quantity and timely distribution of oilcake manure for sugar cane for its normal growth.

He also desired that the Government should adopt a helpful policy towards development of Power Alcol and bye-products Industries in the country.

NEW YORK STOCKS

NEW YORK, Dec. 24, (U. P. A.).—The New York Stock Exchange closed irregular today after rallying in the final few minutes of today's half-day operations.

Some late buying was done in advance of tomorrow's holiday. Such pre-holiday considerations were a leading factor in limiting dealings as Wall Street turned attention more to Christmas than "big board" operations.

Stock sales totalled 1,180,000 shares; Curb sales totalled 290,000 shares; and Bonds, 5,830,000

Dow Jones average closings: Industrials, 190.94; Rails, 52.45; Utilities, 33.37; and Bonds, 97.91.

Closing prices included:—

STOCK.	Dec. 24.
Allied Chemical	190
American Smelting	56 3/4
American Tel. & Tel.	150 1/4
Anaconda Copper	34 7/8
Bankers Trust	35 1/2
Bethlehem Steel	104
Boeing Airplane	23
Canadian Pacific	11 7/8
Chase Nat. Bank	32 1/2
Coty	5 1/8
Douglas Aircraft	47 1/2
General Electric	35 1/8
General Motors	58
Gillette	33 5/8
Goodyear	44 3/8
Int. Nickel	26 7/8
Lockheed	14
Nash Kelvinator	18
National City Bank	37 3/4
Pennsylvania Railroad	18 1/4
Shell Oil	34 1/2
Southern Pacific	40 7/8
Standard Oil of N. J.	70
Studebaker	21 5/8
Swift & Co.	38 5/8
Technicolour	12 3/4
Twentieth Cent. Fox	22 3/8
U. S. Steel	79 5/8
Warner Brothers	13 1/8
Westinghouse Electric	31
American Can	78 1/2
American Radiator	15
American Sugar	45 3/4
American Tobacco	67
Celanese	28
Chrysler	63 1/2
Consolidated Edison	21 1/8
DuPont de Nemours	156 1/2
Eastman Kodak	44 1/4
Int. Tel. & Tel.	13 7/8

WORTH STREET QUIET

NEW YORK, Dec. 24, (U. P. A.): On Worth Street, trading was at a minimum as the pre-holiday atmosphere invaded the center.

A number of selling firms indicated their intention to close early, remaining closed until December 29. In face traders generally expected business to be of routine proportions only during the balance of the year.

BLACK PEPPER QUIET

NEW YORK, Dec. 24, (U. P. A.): Black pepper futures closed unchanged to 200 higher with no sales reported on the New York pepper market today.

Contract and spot markets remained extremely quiet reflecting pre-holiday conditions.

Spot lampong remained nominally unchanged at 43 per pound and white muntok at 57.

Closing: January, 39 bid; March, 37 bid; May, 34 bid; July, 34 nominal; September-October, 33 nominal.

LONDON, BULLION

	London, Dec. 24
Silver Spot	45 d
Forward	44-3.4 d
Gold	£8/12/3

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, Dec. 24.

	£
Consols 2-1/2 pc	82-5/8
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 pc 1961	108-3/8
War yoan 3-1/2 pc 1952 and after	108
Funding Loan 4 pc 1960/90	112-1/4
Victory Bonds 4 pc	114-1/8
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	11-7/16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (Lond. Reg.)	118-1/2
National Bank of India	34-3/4

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially placed mutilated U. S. Price of foreign silver 74-5 8 cents

CHICAGO WHEAT

Chicago, Dec. 24.

March	3.01-1/2 bid
May	2.93-3/4 to 2.92.1/2
July	2.60-3/4 to 2.61

The volume of business on the New York Stock Exchange was 1,180,000 shares.

The highest and lowest was steel trading prices were mutilated.

LONDON WHEAT

London, Dec. 24.

Australian Wheat (bulk) P. O. B. 137/6 Feb./Mar. quoted.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, Dec 24, (U. P. A.). On the New York Cotton Exchange today, cotton futures edged higher in quiet pre-holiday dealings today, scoring gains up to 75 cents per bale.

Finishing close to the day's best levels, final prices ruled eight to eleven points higher.

The market opened two to nine higher. At New Orleans, final prices ruled seven to eleven higher. Both markets closed at noon today, resuming operations Friday morning.

A trading feature came in the purchase of around 10,000 bales in May delivery credited to Georgia mill interests. Local traders also imparted additional steadiness in final dealings.

Light hedge offerings and scattered trade demand aided the upturn as near by March delivery went through 36.75 cent level. The new crop level, however, remained quiet pending new congressional developments on the foreign aid program. While a few traders were disappointed over the lack of fresh news in the export picture, there were reports that further conferences would be held concerning a 20,000,000 dollar credit to be extended to Japan for raw cotton purchases in the domestic market.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, Dec. 24.

January	35.43 nominal
March	35.73
May	35.53
July	34.36
October	31.39
December	30.78
March	30.50 bid
May	30.16 bid
Middling Spot	36.56

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, Dec. 24.

March	35.71
May	35.51
July	34.39
October	31.38
December	30.21
Middling Spot	36.60

NEW YORK COTTON EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, Dec. 24.

COTTON: A pre-holiday session opened to year end closings up operations. Mills occasionally supported near months against sales of textiles. Otherwise the market was naturally featureless and closed steady. A cotton exchange seat was sold for 10,500 dollars unchanged from the sale of December 19th.

STOCKS. Stocks early advanced but the rally lacked leader through buying. Consequently profit-taking turned into one point particularly in leading steel, rails and motors. The average were unchanged 190.94 and rails off 1.15. A little broader support developed in final dealings resulting in a reduction of some of the losses but the market closed irregular.

CHICAGO GRAINS: Based on indications that price needs to Europe may be cut substantially and reports that Britain will not not need any grains from the United States, mild season plus improved weather conditions on the European continent. Flour mills purchased wheat on grain down to expand, taken by the Government agency and for export.

American Telephone and Telegraph	150-1/4
Amerex Holding Co.	28
Anaconda Copper Mining	34-5/8
Chase National Bank	32-1/2
Sinclair Oil	17-1/8
Firestone Tyre & Rubber Co	40-1/4
General Electric Co.	35-1/8
General Motors	58
Imperial Rand	125 bid
International Nickel	26-7/8
National City Bank of New York	37-3/4
New York Central Rail Road Co.	18-5/8
Socony Vacuum Corporation	10-7/8
Texas Corporation	49-3/8
Union Carbon and Carbide Australasia	66
U. S. Smelting-Refining Mining Co.	44
U S Steel Corporation	79-5/8
Western Union Telegraph	unquoted
U. S. price of foreign silver	74-5/8

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Secretary, Central Commercial Service Board, Shillong, invites applications, on prescribed form, which along with full particulars can be obtained from him, for the following posts: (a) Regional Superintendents 22, (b) Sub-Regional Inspectors 73, (c) Circle Supervisors 203, Qualifications required for (a) Preferably a Commerce Graduate; for (b) I.A. or its equivalent; for (c) at least a Matriculate. Age not more than 32 years (35 years in case of Scheduled Caste candidates) on March 1, 1948. Improved Scale of pay for (a) Rs. 200-10-250-E.B.-15-475; for (b) Rs. 120-8-200-E.B.-10-300; for (c) Rs. 50-2-60-E.B.-3-80. Preference will be given to the natives of or domiciled in the Provinces of Bombay and Hyderabad and States therein. (6571)

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GENERAL MANAGER.
(6673)

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J. ROBERTSON,
Secretary & Treasurer.
Bombay, 19th December, 1947.
(6672)

PUBLIC NOTICE

IN CONNECTION with the Mahim Fair, the public are hereby informed that a portion of Cadell Road from its junction with Lady Jamshedji Road to its junction with Pedhi Road will be CLOSED to all vehicular traffic from midnight of the 26th-27th December, 1947, to 6-00 a.m. on the 6th January, 1948.

This order is made under the provisions of Section 23 (4) of the City of Bombay Police Act, IV of 1902.

J. S. BHARUCHA,
Commissioner of Police.
Head Police Office,
Bombay, 24th December, 1947.
(6677)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

IN THE COURT OF THE DISTRICT JUDGE, ANANTAPUR.
C.M.A. No. 1 of 1947 I.A. No. 89|47
Between:—
K. N. K. NARASIMHAYYA SETTY and BROTHERS by its Manager K. N. K. Narasimhayya Setty .. Appellants.
and
(1) MADRAS and SOUTHERN MAHRATTA RAILWAY by its Manager, (2) ROOPCHAND GIRIDHARILAL PALVALA .. Respondents.

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(Sd.) T. CHIDAMBARAYYA, B.A.,
Pleader for the Appellants.
Anantapur 22-11-47.
(7692)

AUCTION SALES

SALES BY AUCTION

BONAFIDE AUCTION SALE of Burmateak household furniture, crockery, cutlery, glass and platedwares, steel cupboard file cabinets and stands, table fans AC, etc., on SUNDAY, 28th Dec. '47, at 10-30 A.M. at "DOSSA COURT", New Cuffe Parade, COLABA. Property of Mrs. SCOTT. ON VIEW. Auctioneers: MISTRY & Co. Tel. 22801.

The Auction Sale of furniture, etc., of R. T. Shivdasani Esq., (I.C.S.), Regional Food Commissioner, Govt. of India, will be held today, (Friday, 26th Dec. at 10-30 A.M.), at "LYNDEWODE" House, (near Parsee Gen. Hospital), off Bomanjee Petit Road, Cumballa Hill, as advertised previously. Auctioneers: MISTRY & CO. Tel. 22801.

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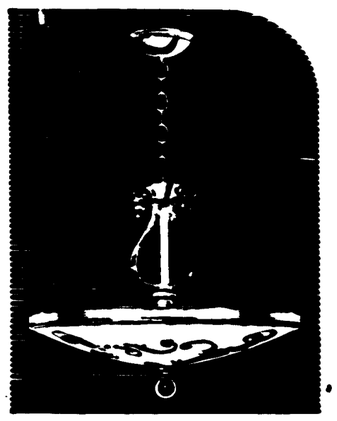
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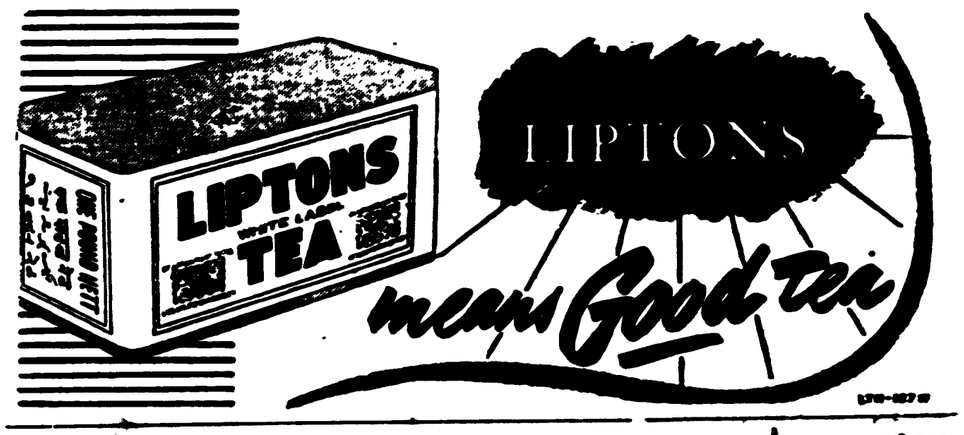

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